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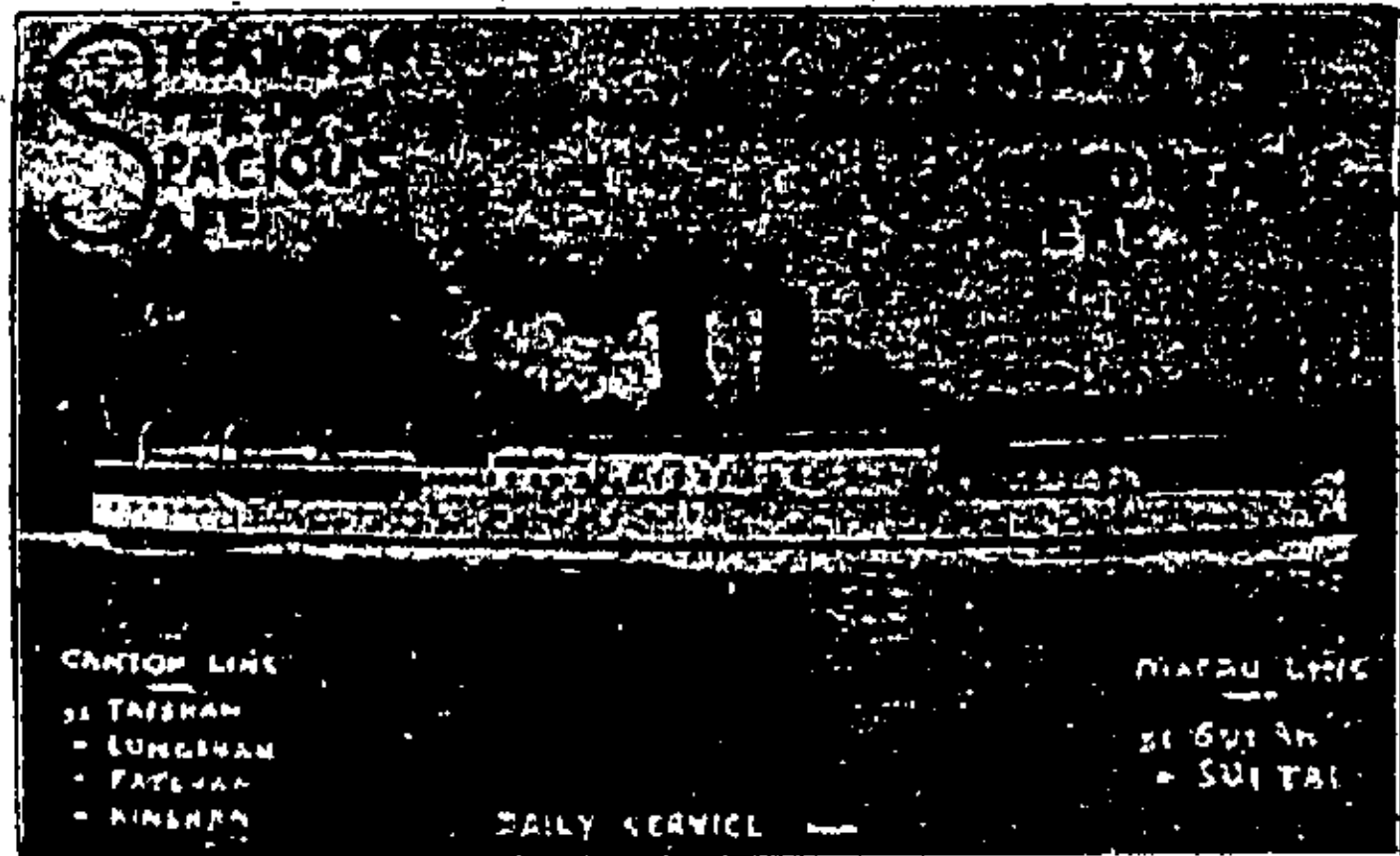
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Appointments

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London, Dec. 12.
The following appointments were made by the Admiralty:—
Lt.-Cdr. (F/Lt., R.A.F.)—E. O. F. Price, to Nelson (Dec. 10).
Lt. (F/O., R.A.F.)—P. L. Jamison, to Furious; and H. J. F. Lane, to Courageous (Dec. 12).
Sub-Lts. (E.)—J. E. C. Costelloe, to Dragon; E. M. Bariff, to Arcturion; M. Luby, to Courageous; H. G. H. Tracy, to Shropshire; H. G. Spriggs, to Exeter; J. R. Hart, to Danae; D. A. W. Sandell, to Ajax; J. H. Joughin, to Leander; A. J. Cawthra, to Furious; F. R. J. Spearman, to Achilles; R. Mack, to Devonshire; T. Wheelton, to Delhi; N. P. Draper, to Cornwall; R. D. Verner-Jeffreys, to Valiant; P. F. N. Parker, to Rodney; R. Andrewes, to Berwick.

COMMAND OF EAST INDIES STATION

At Colombo to-day Vice-Admiral M. E. Dunbar-Nasmith, V.C., K.C.B., will relinquish the duties of Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Station, which he has performed for 24 years, and will hand down his flag in H.M.S. Hawkins. He will be succeeded by Vice-Admiral F. F. Rose, C.B., D.S.O., formerly commanding the destroyer flotillas of the Mediterranean Fleet. The Hawkins will leave on December 17 to spend Christmas at Karachi.

Paymaster Lieutenant-Commander F. J. Telling, who was secretary to Vice-Admiral Rose in his previous command, will again serve with him in that capacity, with the rank of paymaster commander. Lieutenant D. C. Kinloch, who has been appointed Flag Lieutenant, was on the staff at Dartmouth College up to July of this year, and last served aboard as Lieutenant of the destroyer Westcott in the Home Fleet in 1930-32. He entered Osborne College as a cadet in January, 1920, and passed out as midshipman from H.M.S. Thunderer in May, 1924, when he was appointed to the cruiser Despatch in China. He was promoted to Lieutenant in October, 1929, after serving as sub-lieutenant of the Cardiff in the Mediterranean.

COMMAND OF DESTROYERS

Commander D. B. O'Connell, late in command of the river gunboat Gannet in China, will assume command to-day of a group of destroyers in maintenance reserve at Rosyth. Commander O'Connell served in destroyers during the War, but afterwards joined the sloop Holyoake in China, where in 1928-29 he held his first independent command, in the river gunboat Teal, on the Upper Yangtze. He was promoted in 1929, and afterwards served as executive officer of the Resource, Fleet repair-ship.

SIR MILES LAMPSON

Latest Adventure Bridegroom

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Dec. 12.
Yesterday I found myself among a party of people who were discussing eagerly the coming marriage, next week, of Sir Miles Lampson and Miss Jacqueline Castellani, daughter of a distinguished medical man.

The Man From China
A wedding is, of course, always a romantic affair, but Sir Miles Lampson happens to be one of the most romantic of a different sense of our diplomats. He is High Commissioner for Egypt and the Sudan.

Here is a man who by the sheer force of his personality brought about a truce between China and Japan in the Manchuria dispute two years ago when he was British Minister to Peking.

What About It?
Many were the adventures he had in that war-ridden area one being (the occasion when he was instructed to tell Marshal Chiang Kai Shek, head of the Chinese Government, that the British Government insisted on knowing exactly what had happened to Mr. John Thorburn, the young Englishman who disappeared at Szechow.

Incidentally, as a racing man, Sir Miles became famous for his prowess in China. With a stable of four ponies he captured seven prizes during a three days' meeting of the Peking Club.

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Sir Miles Lampson received £130 in prizes, and his star pony, if I remember aright what he told me later, was called Lamplight.

East Lancashire (King's Park), 4 p.m.; Second Division, Club v. University, Third Division, Club de Recreo v. R.A.M.C. Railway v. Police, Radio Sports Club v. R.A.O.C. Fushlers v. East Lancashire 2.30 p.m.
Hockey—Caser Clark Cup, Central British School v. St. Andrew's (King's Park), 2.45 p.m.; Y.M.C.A. v. Recreo (Y.M.C.A. Ground), 3 p.m.; Central British Association v. Hong Kong Ladies (Sookunpoo), 3.15 p.m.; Friendly matches, Fujia (Marina), 4.30 p.m.; H.M.S. Medway Lower Deck v. "Incognitos" (Navy Ground, King's Park).
Rugby—Triangular Tournament, Army v. Club (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

Friday Dec. 28.

Anniversaries and Holidays:—
Feast of the Holy Innocents.
Auctions.—Sale of Crown Lands, District Office, South, 11 a.m.; Hughes and Hough, Household Furniture, 8 Lyemoun Building, Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.

Cinemas
King's:—"Caravan."
Queen's:—"Treasure Island."
Central:—"Chinese Picture."
Oriental:—"Operator No. 13."
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"The Circus Clown."
Majestic:—"Myrt And Marge."
Star:—"Lady Killer."

Dances.—Garrison Lecture Hall, 8.30 p.m.; Military Hospital, Bowen Road, 8.30 p.m.

Lectures.—Mrs. Kirke, Helena May, 10.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous.—Sailors and Soldiers' Home, Chaplain's Christmas Social.

Moon.—XI Moon, 22nd Day.

Social Functions.—St. Andrew's Girls' Guild Party, 4 p.m.

Sports
Billiards.—Steel Coulson League, Royal Engineers v. Royal Artillery; St. Patrick's Club v. Chief and Petty Officers; Garrison Sergeants v. East Lancashire.

Hockey.—H.M.S. Suffolk v. Hong Kong Hockey Club Juniors (King's Park), 5 p.m.

Sunrise.—7.01 a.m. Sunset.—5.47 p.m.

Tides.—High at 0.24 and 15.00 Low at 8.14 and 19.14.

Saturday, December 29.

Anniversaries and Holidays:—
Feast of St. Thomas, Archbishop of Canterbury.

Cinemas
King's:—"Down To Their Last Yacht."
Queen's:—"The Merry Widow."
Central:—"Chinese Picture."
Oriental:—"Operator No. 13."
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"Smarty."
Majestic:—"Myrt And Marge."
Star:—"Lady Killer."

Miscellaneous.—Tombola, Garrison Lecture Hall, 7.30 p.m.; Entrance Examination for New Students, St. Stephen's College, Stanley, 9.30 a.m.

Sports
Cricket.—First Division, Indian R.C. v. Civil Service C.C. (F); Kowloon C.C. v. Club de Recreo (F); Craigengower C.C. v. Hong Kong Press (F); Second Division, Police v. Royal Navy (L); Civil Service v. Indian R.C. (L); Club de Recreo v. Kowloon C.C. (F).

Football.—First Division, Club v. St. Joseph's (Club Ground), South China "A" v. Fushlers (Caroline Hill), Kowloon v. Royal Artillery (Kowloon Ground), Club de Recreo (Kowloon Ground), Club de Recreo (Kowloon Ground).

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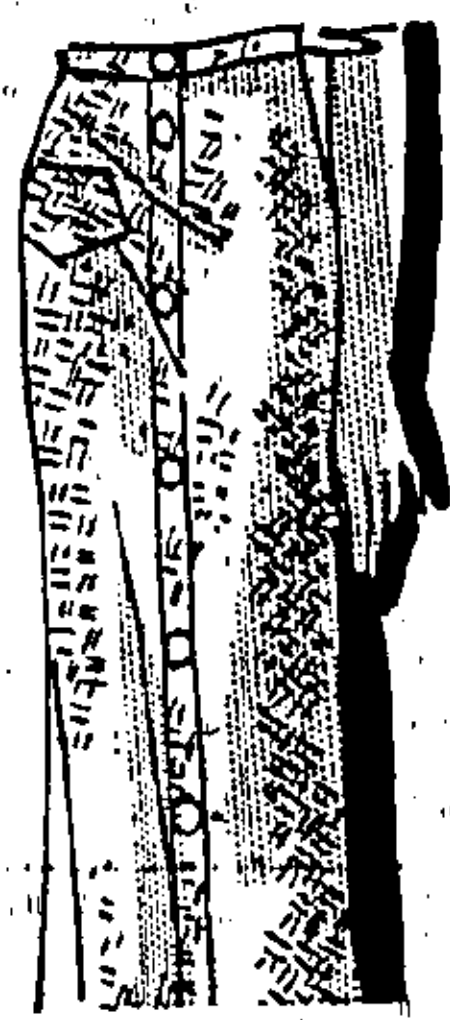
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ROUND THE SHOPS



MAIZEE'S

Tunic Frocks are just the style now, and Maizee has just received a nice lot of Tunic Frocks especially one of Black Velvet and Tulle of red and gold lame. Then there was another in green crepe silk with a black velvet tunic, in fact they were all so smart and pretty that it's really hard to say which was the best.

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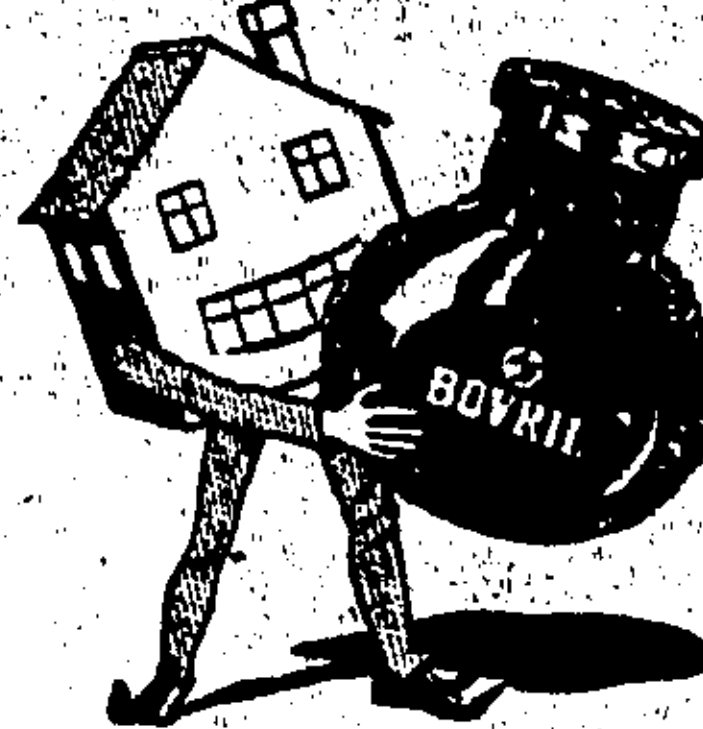
Will be selling a lot of skirts this week. These skirts are either in tweeds or gaberdine and would be most useful for the colder days we are expecting.

MAYOS

I've seen a lot of very attractive Evening Hats lately and was told that Mayos are making them specially to order.

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To the majority of us, the question of evening frocks is one that cannot lightly be dismissed and the fact that there are so many interesting styles to choose among makes the business a more complicated one.

Dance frocks are luxuries and have to be carefully thought out, for some frocks can look lovely on their first or second appearance, but to live through a whole dance season without showing signs of tiredness is another story.

If you are a one-evening frock girl choose wisely. Don't go in for advanced styles, or materials that cease or have an inclination to show marks, also choose a frock that is not too obviously full dress.

Graceful Skirts

There is little variation in the shape of the skirts. They are long and fit snugly over the hips, but from the knee down below out into graceful lines.

The one with the black skirt and little chemise top with loops of black over the upper arm is perhaps my favourite.

It is, maybe, not so girlish as the blue and silver plaid frock next to it, which has a blue velvet sash and cape collar, but it is very graceful, and I could imagine a mother and daughter or elder and younger sister making a very charming arrival in these two designs.

The spotted frock may be a patterned satin or even a deked velvet if planned for the dinner or reception, when it is not desired to look too "eveningy."

With its graceful, deep, sloping shoulder line and contrasting belt, knotted rather low in the waist, it is an admirable choice for a tall girl.

All shades of mauve, old rose, brown and black are the most popular colours that are being worn at night.

Wherever possible a little glitter in the shape of a metal thread, a belt of lame or even a sparkling shoulder ornament is added. Also, broad bracelets reflecting a colour note in the frock, on one wrist only, are the fashionable notes in evening jewellery.

Amusing Fashions

Now for some other items of interest: Hats are getting more exciting. Milliners are vying with each other to see who can produce the most fancy style.

Here are two of the most amusing—and attractive—"creations"—

The "Garden of Eden" cap. Made in soft green velvet, it was encircled by a glittering sequin snake which had a little green velvet apple in its mouth.

The "November 29." A velvet Cossack cap with an intriguing eye veil which was supposed to represent a bridal veil.

The secret of its cryptic name is that November 29 was Princess Marlin's wedding day.

From the East

Nose rings are being worn by ultra smart women in Paris. They are kept in position by means of a hidden spring. Jade green and blood red are the favourite colours.

Gloves have gone gay—lace, silk, sequin, cloth-of-gold, silver and bronze tissues, every possible material is being used to make this season's evening gloves.

Kid gloves are right out of favour.

Frog Skin Shoes

Fashionable women will walk in frog-skin shoes if experiments now being made at Meisendorff in Germany succeed.

An expert frog-breeder has started a farm there, on a pond fenced round by wire gratings. Costly bull-frogs have been imported from Philadelphia, U.S.A. for the purpose.

If this particular species of frog prospers on German soil, it is hoped to use their skins for luxury leather which will compete with snake and lizard-skin in quality.

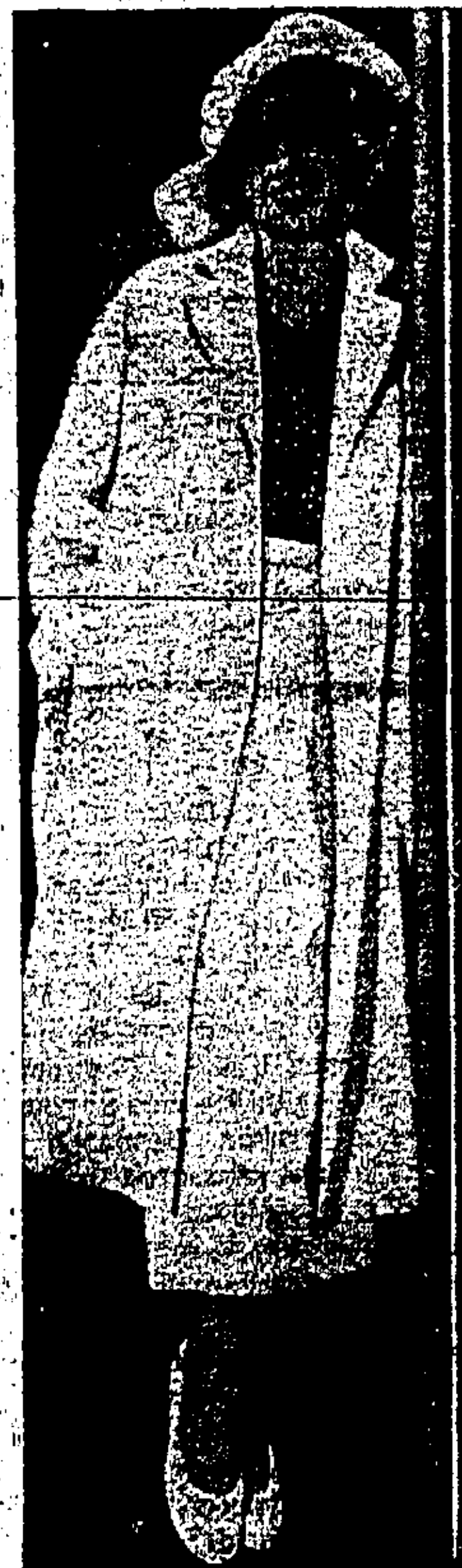
Frog shoes would make a refreshing change from the lizard and crocodile shoes which have been popular for such a very long time.

Frog skin has a very fine grain and takes dye beautifully. It would make marvellously sophisticated town shoes.

He Knew Excitement

"Now," said the college man to his dad at the football match, "you'll get more excitement for three half-crowns than you ever got before."

"I don't know," replied the old gentleman, a little sadly, "that's what my marriage brought me."



Many Varieties in Gloves

Fantasies in gloves seems to be nearing the end of their heyday, though there are still plenty to be found: gauntlets of laced or frilled or embroidered or even lace-edged organdi or silk; elaborate leather gauntlets; gauntlets or perhaps the whole glove in tartan taffeta or in coloured cotton or pique; lace gloves, string gloves, crochet gloves and net gloves.

But for all ordinary occasions and often for extraordinary ones, too, it is becoming increasingly difficult to persuade the well-dressed woman to wear other than doekin, superbly cut, but perfectly simple.

She prefers these to suede or kid for hot weather, because, although the skins are thicker than either of the other two, they have a habit of both looking and feeling cooler on the hand.

Doekin does not confine itself to browns and blacks, and navy. You can get it in a heavenly pale blue, in an alluring deeper tone of the same colour, in two or three greens, in yellow, and here and there in tomato or dark red.

Lesith

Gumbler: "Why, the sleeves of this coat are miles too long."
"Miles?" "How much shall I take off?"
Gumbler: "About half an inch."

THE RETURN OF THE
PICTURE-FROCK

The picture dress has come back and a girl can wear it in gay colours, while a woman of mature years can have it in plain or shot taffetas, faille, or moire.

Maggie Rouff is a mistress of the new picture dress and her latest notion is to make it in stiff silk or cotton, red and white or blue and white check, like window curtains in a Normandy or Brittany inn. With it she puts a polished, starched white linen collar. The back of the bodice is cut low, the front is only slightly open at the neck. The skirt is circular, with more fullness at the sides than at the back and front.

This wide skirt fashion is carried further in the redingote coat with its wide flare at the hem. It is worn over a skirt with very slim hem and is more or less three-quarter length. Slanting pockets give it style and there may be decorative fastenings such as braid frogs, ornamental buttons and tulle like. Sleeves widen above the elbow, leaving the shoulders smoothly turned.

Fashion always has a reason. One of the reasons why the picture dress or robe de style, is again fashionable is that the petticoat is being advocated by lovers of fine lingerie. The new petticoat is made with a fitting hip line and has a full frilled hem which may be very soft or crisp according to the material used for the dress which goes over it.

Made of tulle, lace, taffetas, there is great charm about these full-skirted dresses. They have sleeves—little ones—usually puffy, and the neckline is decided by the way the head is set on the shoulders. Pointed, square, round, nature decides which line is most becoming.

A slim contrast to the period dress is the one that is moulded to the figure and draped with that backward flow which is rather vaguely called the steam-line. With a good deal of indiscriminate this term is applied to every detail in women's dress at the moment. A name means little, or nothing, or much fashion parley, and steamline is like that. Anyway, the slim dress, princess in line, with a full back or skirt, or front, or with full deep inset pleats from below the knees, and may lead to the bonnet.

with a train, or just misting the floor, is what is worn.

Streamline sleeves may flow long and backward from the elbow or the shoulder. Wraps, bodices, all have this backward trend. Even the mannequins walk with their bodies above the waist thrown backward. A good corrective for those who are round shouldered from contracting their chests.

The slim dress with a long skirt and shattered hem line is worn in late afternoon and at informal dinner parties. It has no train. At formal parties the train is usual.

Mainbocher has created a new evening wrap in tulle which is again dubbed streamline, since it dips low behind and is lifted in front. In black, or in colour, it is made to go with the dress. Deep flounces of crisp tulle fall below the waist from a fitted shoulder yoke. The arms can be slipped through wide openings at the sides, so that what looks like a cape is really a jacket. The front flounces are short to the waist. The entrancing little garment does not close in front.

Milliners follow the lead taken by the dressmakers. Trimmings are set to droop behind or at the side of the hats.

Suzi uses uncured ostrich feathers; Le Monnier gives a loose wave to hers.

Another thing which both milliners and dressmakers are doing is to use stitching and quilting as trimmings. Stitching is the trimming a la mode. Stitched lines trim a coat, give firmness to a hat made of material, either to the brim or the crown, or both. Quilting is just as popular.

Vails both long and short. Their the veil. Le Monnier dearly loves a veil, and who shall blame her? The new veils are fine and soft with a vaguely seen pattern as a border. Some are worn long, others short, and there is a hat with the veil drawn to ribbon width at the ears from whence it is carried under the chin and tied in a bow.

Who knows but that we may be wearing richness, bonnets, and ribbons tied under the chin after the manner of Queen Victoria and the Princess Mathilde? The off-the-face hat is again worn, and may lead to the bonnet.



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LONDON FASHIONS

For The Party Season

Crêpe lamé materials illustrate the use of rich fabrics for slim streamline dresses that flow into trains. The lames on coloured grounds look lighter than those in plain metal. A pale abianthe green, allied gold, is now fashionable; pale salmon-pink and a pastel sky-blue are often allied with a silver design, and white and honey colour are found with gold and silver. The newer lames show a stronger gleam in gold and silver.

Shiny surfaces are also seen in satin, whether plain or beaute or reversible of the heavy "duchesse" type. Many cellophane materials are also shown for the evening.

Floor Length Frocks

Floor length frocks for dancing are being made of taffeta, or "pout de sole," shot and plain, and also of satin in picture styles. Velvet in contrasting colours is seen in necklines and sashes, and picture frocks, of silver and grey, show shades of jade, cyclamen and amethyst in the folded collars and on the bodices. Quilling, which is now a recognized trimming, gives a sedate air to picture frocks, as when a dance frock of black tulle has a big cavalier shoulder collar of pink quilling and the skirt is lined at the hem with pink and quilted through. Softer dresses for young girls have net over-skirts with many flounces and mounted on taffeta; over the shoulder are brought ruffled frills which are finished with a big sash bustle bow. Tulle is also for older women, one frock of black tulle over satin has flat frills arranged in sharp pagoda angles. A dinner gown of black satin has a net "décolletage"; the bell-shaped detachable skirt is of stiffened net with bands of square metal paillettes.



Half-Length Frocks

Useful two purposes is a calf-length marocain frock with a short tunic of its own material edged with fringe; a lamé tunic with a swathed sash transforms it into a dinner or cocktail frock. Lamé tunics, some with long sleeves and others with short open puff sleeves, can be worn with velvet or satin skirts. There are also informal dinner gowns of black "cokly" or "broché" materials with big sleeves and broad decorative gold belts; others are of crepe allied with velvet in two tones, such as dull red and garnet red. On a black frock a variegated bunch of contrasting flowers is usual, and on a coloured frock the flowers are of the same colour, light and dark. A waxy little orchid spray can be worn with white or black frocks and there are crimson velvet roses for black net evening frocks where the shoulder line is of the black net.

Gowns of uncrushable velvet and of faconne velvet in small designs on "pout de sole," travel and pack well, and so do lace frocks with the design outlined in copper thread. Capes are now the favourite accessories to informal gowns.

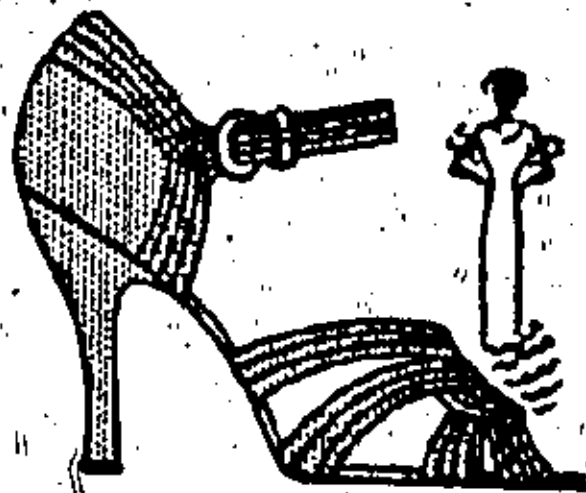
Shoes

The most important piece of news about shoes this year is one that I have already handed on more than once, namely, the insistence of lower heels for all sorts of occasions.

Among the better looking summer examples there is a great deal of fine white kid, stitched in tiny tufts to look like pliqué, and combined with black or dark brown or navy blue. You find this in ties, in sandals, and in court shoes, but only at places where they go in for fine workmanship.

Another very elegant shoe, with a strap, is entirely in white leather, except for very delicate lines of stitching in brown, navy, or black.

Many of the beach or cruising sandals have open toes. There are a few models, however, very good-looking ones too, in which, although the foot in general is very much exposed, the actual toes are covered. You can find this in canvas, leather, or linen, and it is really far more satisfactory for the average foot, more especially in very hot weather, when toes are seldom apt to look their best.



A kind of basket work, sometimes in white, or in beige or dark brown, and strongly reminiscent of the way they used to cane chairs, appears on beach sandals and walking shoes to a considerable extent. The shoes in which this is most used are usually strapped in a modified sandal shape, very neat to look at and, very cool to wear.

Court or low tie shoes are also made in brightly colored kids—scarlet, bright blue, or green. With some ensembles, mostly monotone except for one other note of the same vivid colour, these can be very effective.

Sandal Stockings

If, as so many wise people prefer to do, you wear stockings with your comfortable cruising sandals, there is a choice of two new and very suitable varieties for the purpose. One of them has a separate division for the big toe, and the other is seamless, so that there is no straight line to interrupt the roundness of the leg.

Mesh and lace stockings continue to be popular.

The lastex stockings are excellent for hard wear and extraordinarily comfortable. Not only because of their stretchable band at the top, just where it is most needed, but because they defy the ravages of suspenders so bravely, and therefore do so much to establish their wearer's peace of mind. For ordinary summer wear, however, most people prefer a sheerer stocking, and you can get these in innumerable grades and at a wide range of prices.

All the pinkish beige and sun tan colourings are good for summery frocks and sports things. For the evening you will probably choose a lighter tone and an exceedingly fine gauge, unless, of course, you are one of the people who insist on a very through tan. In this case it is nearly always best to match your stocking to your degree of sunburn.

When we wore short skirts we matched our stockings to our arms for the sake of balance. Now that legs are much less in evidence there is usually a generous proportion of back, and the same tone for skin or the illusion of skin, wherever it is shown looks much more pleasing than the scrappy effect of different degrees of colour.



PARIS FASHIONS

Formal and Informal

There is a marked difference between informal and formal evening clothes. Formal evening dresses cannot be too rich in colour and material. Made of heavy satins, silks, crepes, and velvets they are cut on diverse lines; Vionnet for instance makes a full skirt, Mainbocher's is tight to the knees with a full godet flounce below, and the close-fitting mermaid line ends in a long, narrow train. The colours for velvet are ruby red, sapphire blue, topaz yellow, emerald green; those for satin are pearly grey, oyster white, rose pink, primrose yellow, mushroom grey, brown, and green. Shot taffetas, tulles lace lend themselves to full skirts and gathered and honeycombed draperies.

Informal evening clothes are neat and simple. Black is preferred, though Maggy Rouff has a series of checked taffetas with white collars of highly polished linen. Jackets are worn at all hours. In the morning they are of knitted wool, fur, or woollen cloth; in the afternoon they are of satin, velvet, lame, sequin, or net. Many evening dresses have a little jacket bodice which buttons at the back or front. For warmth and appearance nothing is better than a fox or ermine cape.

In the morning the simplicity of low heeled shoes, tweeds, scarves, over coats, and little hats is contradicted by artificial complications and studied hairdressing.

The ruche collar is rather new; and the fullness of the bodice is gathered to the throat to make

FASHION ASSUMES A SPARKLING AIR

There is no doubt that gleaming fabrics and glitter skillfully introduced have largely taken the place of bright colours this season. In the daytime the shining qiré belts or embroidered stones on to kid or suede fulfil the same office for day wear.

As only to be expected in this age of revivals, we have returned to many charming ideas from the end of last century. The sparkles of the past were not always in the best taste. They conveyed a sense of undue opulence, much so that the exclusive dresser of that date rather avoided beads in general.

An exception was the beautiful model known as "The Coat of Mail," a closely massed grouping of sequins, costly and weighty. Each sequin, when of the best, was then sewn on—as now—by hand. Similar work to-day is light, and dainty.

Sparkle is best when allied to dull fabric and sober colouring. All-black is successful, when treated this way. A new model is a dull black tulle, slightly trained, and beautifully fitted. This has a cuff of gleaming sequins with long sleeves.

The sequined range is now being skillfully treated. A gunmetal lace is dusted with silver sequins and mounted on a silver cloth, and a bronze lace has the pattern outlined in glittering bronze and gold beads. The sequined frocks will reach their height of popularity at the early Hunt Balls. In black, silver and other dull tones these dance frocks stand out well in a throng of dancers.

Many modern young women affect a black sequined cape, belt and handbag to wear with a

white frock, or with yellow. A tunic of black sequins, softly mounted on white crepe and worn with a girdle of jet looks well on a trained white dinner gown.

A black tulle ball-frock with apron and burle draperies of tiny silver sequins can be worn effectively with silver shoes.

Another method of using sequins is with cloque fabrics. This crinkly material looks delightful when peppered with small, dull sequins in the form of embroidery; especially in the dark ralsin tone, that colour that suits the woman of all ages.

Silvered Flower Centres

Embroidered flowers are a pretty fashion, but must not be used in too great profusion. Cut-out blossoms of cloth are smart, especially if dark and the centre either in diamante or silver and gold. Black velvet flowers with silvered centre successfully outlined a black satin décolletage, and pale green cloth flowers (with a dark centre) can be arranged in a spray high to the throat of a white crêpe demi-toilette.

One of the most striking evening modes of this season is a semi-trained black taffeta. There are huge bows from bustle to near the hem, the first bow starting at the low back, just above the waistline. Then come shoulder-straps of scarlet feather fringed each side. The front of the corsage consists of the taffeta dragged up to the base of the neck where two large black and scarlet plumes stand out on either side. This novelty of wide-spreading paradise plumes is used for an evening capelet with black tulle.



a frill or ruche, which is drawn more to the back than the front. Evening dresses are given this full neckline by gathers, but there is no frill above the cord which makes a low line about the shoulders.

Figured materials will be worn in the South. Small patterns, spots, stripes, checks, and dice are printed on or interwoven with silk crepes and woollen jerseys; plain coats often go with them. The skirts button at the back and the bloused bodices are made with round necks with turned down collars; there is a big soft bow in front, full sleeves drape the upper arm, and on the forearm is a tight cuff. A neat belt is worn and the coat has slanting pockets and no collar. In green, navy blue, mixed yellows and browns, the combination of a figured dress and a plain coat is once more the fashion.



CRUISING SUITS

With certain plain ensembles, a very severe cruising suit of linen tweed or heavy silk, for example, you can wear gloves of crocheted spring with advantage. They wash splendidly, and can look equally well with a dark London ensemble; but with anything fussy or with printed materials, they should be taboo.

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MARITAL FARCE "SMARTY"

At The Alhambra
To-morrow

That a poke in the jaw is often the most effective love potion will be demonstrated at the Alhambra Theatre, on Saturday, when Warner Bros. screamingly funny farce, "Smarty," has its local debut, with Warren William doing most of the hitting and Joan Blondell on the receiving end.

F. Hugh Herbert, who is equally famous as an author and an actor, wrote the play upon which the picture is based, and has given to the theme of a woman who loves to be mastered many surprising and bizarre angles.

Miss Blondell, portraying the role of a beautiful young woman who unconsciously does things calculated to make her husband beat her, but who rushes to the divorce court when a slap is followed by an apology, rotates from one husband to another and back again, in a series of peculiar marital mix-ups, is given an exceptionally fine opportunity to show her real talent.

Warren William is the husband who is goaded to exasperation and finally slaps his bride in a bridge game quarrel, but becomes contrite and loses her to Edward Everett Horton, taking the part of a divorce lawyer whose antipathy to men who would hit a woman does not prevent him from finally taking a look at his bride himself, a situation for which his courtroom experience has failed to prepare him for his abject apologies only cause the lady to run back to her first husband who thrashes her soundly and wins her everlasting devotion.

Frank McHugh has the role of meddling neighbour and adds much to the merriment of the entertainment by his blundering antics.

Claire Dodd has the role of an habitual divorcee, while Joan Wheeler plays the part of a young wife who is unsuccessful in her ambition to be sinful.

One of the novel innovations is a show within a show, for a score or more beautiful young things clad in duffy notions disport themselves in a fashion show, presenting a style show of frocks, cloaks, the latest creations in hats and lingerie, and night garments. It is at this show that shocks her husband that the wilful wife buys a garment that would be lost in a vanity case—said garment playing an important role in the hilarious though somewhat violent climax.

Robert Florey directed the production from the screen play by Mr. Herbert and Carl Erickson.

"LADY KILLER"

Now Showing At
The Star

A picture within a picture may aptly describe James Cagney's latest for Warner Bros., "Lady Killer," which is showing now at the Star Theatre for in it Cagney appears as a motion picture star.

While many in Hollywood recognize in the role that Cagney plays the counterpart of another male star in pictures, who actually rose to screen prominence by the very methods that Cagney used to attain stardom in "Lady Killer," the important feature about the latest Cagney opus is the fact that in his new role, he is called upon to portray as a movie actor the very roles that has led to his present popularity in pictures.

In other words, he appears in "Lady Killer" first as a gangster who flees to Hollywood in an effort to get away from his former mates and from the police who desire to question him. It will be remembered that Cagney's first hit was a gangster in "Public Enemy." Then after he has broken into the movies as an extra gangster, he builds himself up with the producer by writing his own voluminous fan mail in a sort of high pressure publicity campaign strongly reminiscent of his own work in "Hard to Handle."

Mae Clarke, who two years ago helped Cagney spring to fame in "Public Enemy" by standing for the pushing of a grapefruit into her face, again is on the receiving end of the typical Cagneyan mannerisms when it comes to handling refractory "moll" sweethearts who refuse to be dropped.

Margaret Lindsay plays the role of leading lady to Cagney the movie star. Others in the cast include Leslie Fenton, Raymond Hatton, Douglas Dumbrille and

TREASURE ISLAND

Final Showings At
The Queen's

Creating a "composite picture" of the mental impressions of more than a hundred million people is the exacting directorial task that confronted Victor Fleming, who directed "Treasure Island," adventure classic based on Robert Louis Stevenson's famous book—the most widely read pirate story ever written. The picture has its final showings to-day at the Queen's Theatre.

This responsibility to the vast number of readers estimated by publishers to have been thrilled by Stevenson's book has resulted in the strictest care in every phase of production for the picture, declared Fleming, director of many other adventure films.

"The adaptation of the book prepared by John Lee Mahin has been faithful to the spirit of the original even to the extent of actual excerpts from dialogue and descriptions of action. When I read the instructions for scenes I tried to follow what Stevenson himself wrote rather than to make a motion picture version based purely on the action. In settings, we were confronted with a situation that made attention to detail imperative. Mention the 'interior of the apple barrel,' 'the stockade,' 'finding the treasure,' 'the adventure ship Hispaniola' to most anyone who has read the story and he can give you an exact description from his personal impressions. We have tried to achieve an 'ideal' in design in each set that will seem familiar as childhood memories.

"Designs of costumes have followed the popular conception of pirate garb with a simplicity that will make them real and take away any curse of period dress. Other technicalities of the picture such as fire-arms, cutlasses, cannons and other items in pirate life were prepared under the supervision of Dwight Franklin who is considered to be America's leading pirate authority and formerly with the Museum of the City of New York."

All these elements enter into Fleming's direction in which he says there has been a constant fidelity to Stevenson. The author's influence, he maintains, is all important in reaching the reading public, and those who are not familiar with the story will enjoy one of literature's greatest thrills on the screen.

One of the most wonderful casts of the year stars Wallace Beery as Long John Silver, and Jackie Cooper as Jim Hawkins, boy adventurer in situations that even surpass the appeal of their work together in "The Champ." Lionel Barrymore plays Bill Bones while Otto Kruger, Lewis Stone, Nigel Bruce, "Chic" Sale and dozens of others are character players in the supporting cast.

WORLD WAR ON THE SCREEN

(Special Air-Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12.

A war film of a quite unusual kind has just been completed and shown in New York by Fox. The title is "The First World War," and the compiler is Laurence Stallings, editor of the Fox Movie-tone News and author of those famous anti-war documents, "The Big Parade" and "What Price Glory!" a double guarantee both of the scope and the intention of the present film.

The material for "The First World War" has been collected partly from the newsreels, and partly from the official archives of the belligerent nations. Much of it, we are told, has never been seen before, and contains official secrets of the time. Beginning fourteen years before the outbreak of hostilities, the film presents a pictorial record of the public and private lives of some 680 presidents, kings, Archduke Ferdinand and the Great War itself.

The task of assembling and editing the vast mass of material required has taken many months of laborious research and patient application. More than seventy-five miles of film had to be examined before the first rough cut of the picture could be made, and a complete picture gallery of the world's celebrities had to be collected, in order to identify accurately the various figures appearing on the screen.

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DOWN TO THEIR LAST YACHT

Sunday's Attraction
At The King's

"Down to their last Yacht," rated as the season's most ambitious musical extravaganza, will be next Sunday's attraction at the King's Theatre. Threaded into an unusual plot and highly spectacular settings, the show provides a carnival of new popular songs, glamorous ensemble dances, and a congress of female and male pulchritude, as RKO-Radio's successor to the immensely liked "Flying Down to Rio."

The story concerns a party of bluebloods with nothing but a yacht between them and starvation, and a group of opulent social climbers, all herded together on the yacht, with the ex-socialites serving as crew and the parvenus as passengers. A rapid succession of hilarious situations is the inevitable outcome.

Stranded on an island in the South Seas, they fall into the hands of attractive natives and an exotic white queen. Here, on "The Island of Malakamokai, where there is nothing but love to do" as one of the songs goes, the two widely separated stratas of society are seized with a common urge and decide to remain in this Utopia.

The cast of "Down to Their Last Yacht" boasts of twenty-seven featured players, headed by Mary Boland as the island queen. Polly Moran is cast as a crude, but high-pressure promoter who piles up the shekels by boosting the newly-rich up the rungs of the social ladder. Ned Sparks, the frozen faced comedian, is the captain of the yacht. Sidney Fox

THE MERRY WIDOW

Coming Tomorrow To
The Queen's

Nearly three months of production and research; great symphony orchestras with musicians hand-picked from all parts of the country; some of the biggest sets ever built for a talking picture; hundreds of gorgeous costumes and elaborate ballet numbers, are among the massive details that went into the filming of the world's most popular musical romance, "The Merry Widow." Ernst Lubitch's spectacular production opening to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

It's filming was regarded in Hollywood as one of the hugest production tasks since the inception of talking pictures. Its hundreds of people, its amazing locales, the musical and ballet ensembles, the marvellous special recording, all serve as a glamorous Continental background for the love story of Danilo and Sonia.

The reunion of Ernst Lubitch, Maurice Chevalier and Jeanette MacDonald under the production banner of Irving G. Thalberg has

and Sidney Blackmer have the romantic leads.

Hundreds of Hollywood's prettiest girls, two dozen picked specimens of super manhood, star adagio dancers, Samoan native orchestras, featured ballroom orchestras a chorus of sixty trained voices, and the dance and song hit numbers provided by a staff of six noted composers, fortify the attraction magnitude of "Down to Their Last Yacht."

been the talk of fans and the screen industry ever since Thalberg's first decision to film the internationally popular story, bringing to the screen for the first time its glamorous Viennese music.

Among the great settings are the colourful replica of Maxim's resort in Paris; the famous "White Set," a huge apartment done in twenty gradations of white; the palace set, the grand stair case, and the Embassy, largest set in the history of the studio. In this the famous waltz is presented with 180 dancers under the tutelage of Albertina Rasch, and the two principals dance to romance on its dreamy rhythm.

The original Lehar story was adapted to the screen by Ernst Lubitch and Samson Raphaelson and typical "Lubitch touches" and shafts of whimsical wit lighten the gay Continental charm of the script.

With the signing of Lubitch, and preliminary plans for settings, Herbert Stothart, former associate of the "Merry Widow" composer, was assigned the task of musical arrangement and conducting of the orchestras, which he assembled. These range from a full symphony assemblage to special musical units of Russian, Gypsy, Viennese and other types, for such songs as "Villa," "Girls Girls Girls," the great waltz song, "I'm Going to Maxim's" and others. Lehar's music was kept intact. In fact the waltz number is played to a score written in the composer's own hand.

Lubitch's cast, includes Edward Everett Horton, Minna Gombell, Una Merkel, George Barbier, Ruth Channing, Herman Bing, Sterling Holloway, Donald Meek and others of note. All supporting Maurice Chevalier and Jeanette MacDonald, co-starred, excellently.

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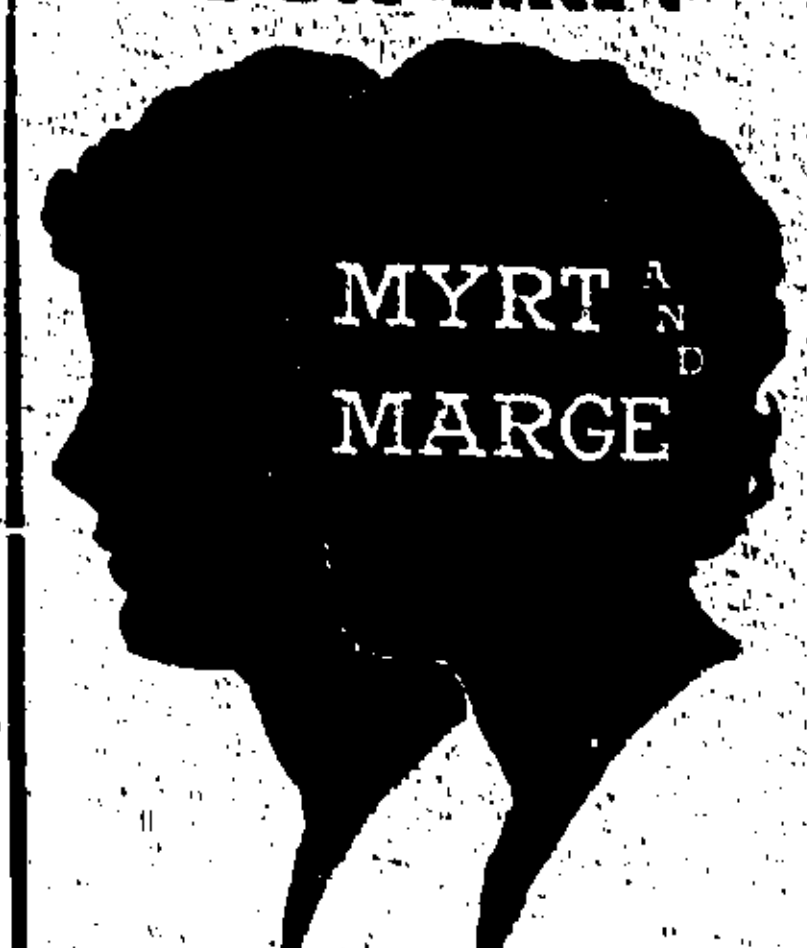
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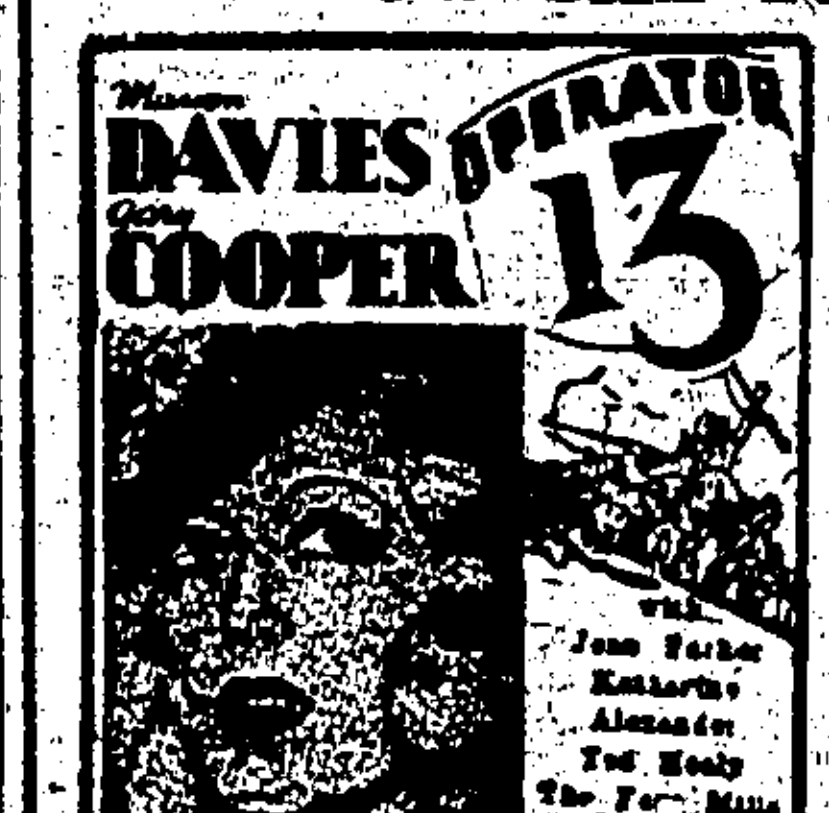
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"CARAVAN"

Showing At The
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"Caravan," Erik Charell's unique and spectacular musical romance now showing at the King's Theatre, has its setting in the Tokay district of Europe during the grape harvest. Harvest scenes, therefore, were naturally important in the film, and a big vineyard was accordingly built as one of the sets.

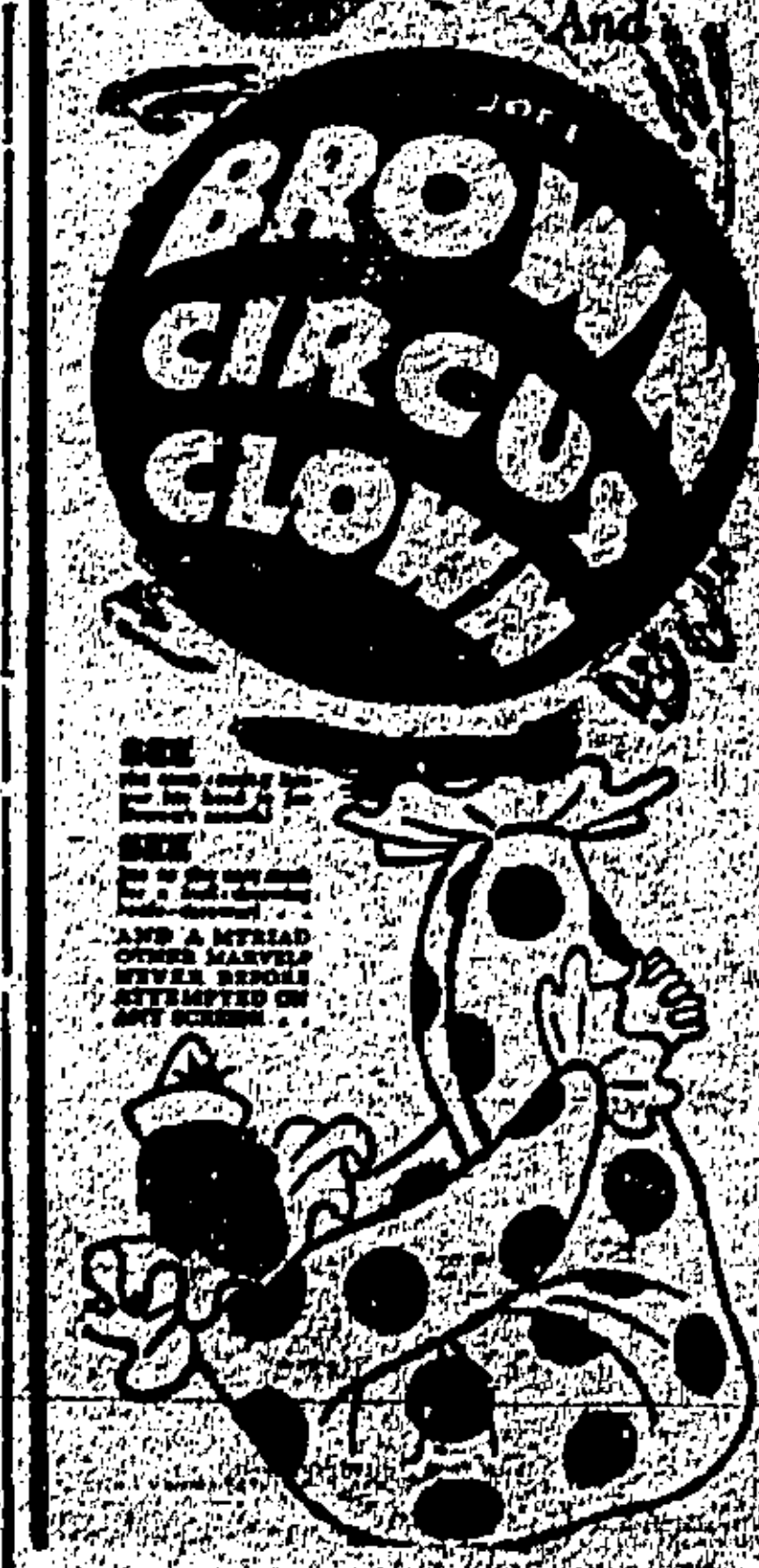
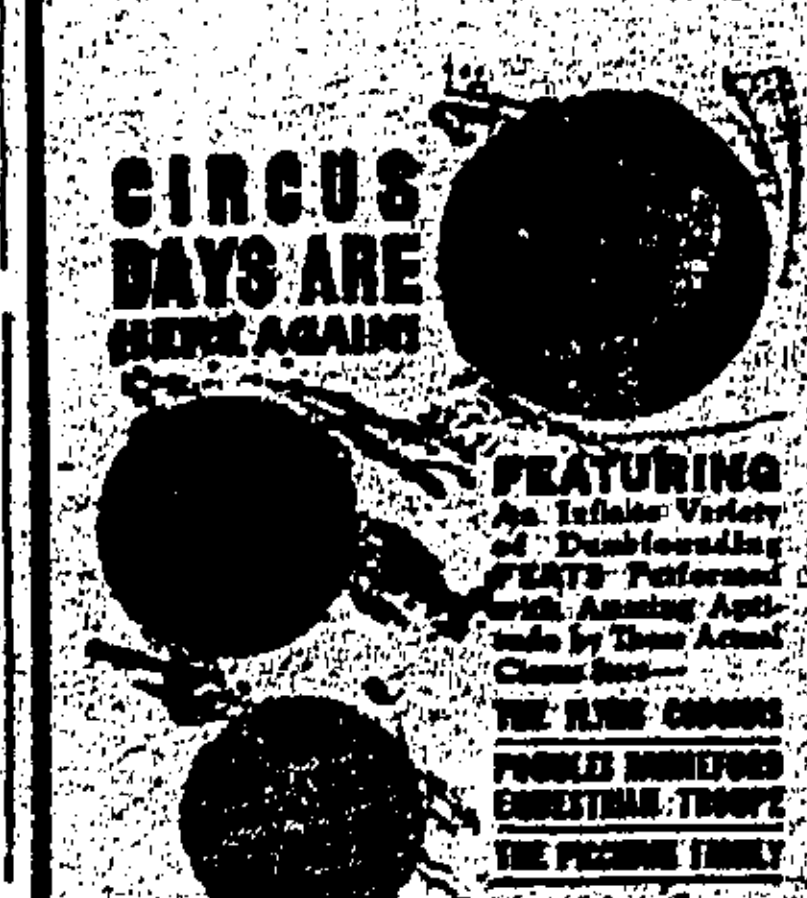
But supplying grapes for the vines turned out to be a very different matter. Rudy Bylek, of the studio landscape art department, drove some 1800 miles through California and Mexico, and found not a grape of any kind. The local variety would not be ripe until after Thanksgiving day, and eastern cold-storage houses, when appealed to by wire, similarly replied—they were devoid of the fruit. In most industries this would have ended the matter, but the movies have developed a technique all their own.

Abandoning the telegraph, Bylek began to concentrate on the South American cables. Far below the equator, South America was now experiencing its fall season—and messages revealed that in the Argentine grapes were already being picked. That night several tons of ripe Tokays were put aboard a fast cold-storage boat and headed north. Four weeks later, just as Director Charell was getting ready for his vineyard scenes, the grapes arrived in perfect condition, all ready for the picked and subsequent wine-making sequences.

Charles Boyer, continental favourite Loretta Young and Jean Parker have the chief roles in "Caravan."

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CORONERS' INQUESTS

Body On Railway Line

A coroner's inquiry was held by Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy into the circumstances attending the death of Chan On, cook, whose body was found on the railway at the No. 7 Railway Bridge near Prince Edward Road, on November 21. The jury empaneled were Messrs. W. Naef (foreman), E. P. Souza and Yip Chung Kay.

Medical evidence given by Dr. Uttley officer in charge of Kowloon Mortuary tended to show that deceased met his death by either having fallen off the train or was knocked down but was not run over, as from the post mortem examination held on November 22 deceased had an extensive cut in the right of his head, with compound fracture of the right eye and right and left legs.

Internal examination revealed that two ribs were broken, the stomach injured and the skull was extensively fractured.

Death which was instantaneous was due to multiple injuries and hemorrhage.

Sergeant J. F. Kennedy in evidence said that he made examination of the various rolling stock but could find no blood stains. Shoes found near the locality fitted the dead man.

A photograph of deceased taken at the mortuary was identified by Law Kit Ming as being her husband.

That the deceased had been dismissed four days prior to his death for smuggling was related to the court by Fung Tak On, caterer to the Kowloon Canton Railway. He was also told by a passenger on November 22 that the deceased was seen standing on the steps of a third class compartment and when it neared the Bridge deceased was not seen again. After Mr. A. E. Perry Assistant Traffic Manager of the K.C.R. had given evidence, his Worship addressed the jury who returned a verdict of accidental death by falling off the train attaching no blame to anybody.

Coolie Killed

An inquiry into the death of a coolie, Pang Young who was alleged to have been run over by a motor car at about 1 a.m. on December 16, at Pottinger Street was conducted by W. Schofield at Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. Schofield was assisted by a jury comprised of—Messrs. F. M. O'zorio (foreman), G. A. Carvalho and Chai Fook Ng.

Mr. G. K. Hall-Brutton appeared on behalf of Sub-Inspector Dredge, the driver of car No. 3684, which was involved in the accident.

Dr. G. H. Thomas of the Government Civil Hospital, said that on December 16 at about 2.35 a.m. deceased was admitted to the Hospital, and died at about 8.05 a.m. the same morning.

Witness made a post-mortem examination on deceased and found the skull was injured on the right top of the head. There were abrasions on the chin, cheek, and right shoulder. Internally, one of the ribs was fractured. The right low liver was torn open about three inches long.

Traffic Inspector C. F. Alexander said that at about 8 a.m. on December 16, Sub-Inspector Saunders told him that a motor accident had occurred at Pottinger Street. At 9.15 a.m. witness visited the scene with Sub-Inspector Saunders. On arriving at the place, Sub-Inspector Saunders showed him two parts of a water pipe, a short and a long one. At 10.15 a.m. witness went to Dodwell's Garage at Russell Street and there he found a damaged car, No. 3684. The right front wheel was punctured and the front mudguard was damaged. The man at Dodwell Garage informed witness that the car was hired by Sub-Inspector Dredge on the previous day and had returned it on that morning at about 2 a.m.

On the same morning witness discussed the accident with Sub-Inspector Saunders. Sub-Inspector Dredge was also in the room but was not talking with them. Witness said that he knew that the car was driven by a European whereupon Sub-Inspector Dredge said that he was the one who drove the car. Witness then asked Inspector Dredge why did he not report the matter to the Police. Sub-Inspector Dredge replied that he thought it was a very small affair and had no idea

Around the Courts

STEALING CLOTH

For stealing three yards of cloth a tailor named Tsang Yuk-cheong was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Sub-Inspector McEwen stated that defendant was given a roll of cloth to cut into a dress length, but he kept three yards back, allegedly with the intention of selling it. He was seen yesterday trying to pawn the cloth.

When searched at the Police Station, defendant was found to have \$7.20 in his possession. He had just received his pay.

His Worship: You had money already. There was no need for you to steal.

Defendant: My pay was not enough for my needs.

STEALING CHAIRS

Sentence of six weeks hard labour was meted out to a man employed at St. Paul's Church for stealing two folding chairs from the church by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones yesterday at the Central Magistracy.

SAILORS IN ALL TRADES

Will Take Any Job

The shipping crisis has been disastrous, vessels having been laid up or their firms forced out of business altogether. The result is that large numbers of masters and mates have had to seek a livelihood elsewhere. Some of these officers are now to be found in all sorts of queer and unusual occupations, which indicate their resource and adaptability to new conditions.

The secretary of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild has received a letter from one of them, serving as an instructor in a camp of unemployed men, under the control of a Government department. He is satisfied with the salary and treatment he receives, but is still anxious to return to sea.

Masters and officers have taken up all kinds of jobs, from the highest to the lowest, as dignity does not count when a family is in distress. Some of these men are working on poultry farms, a few are doing their best as shoemakers, and one is believed to be doing well as a chimney sweep. House painting and widow cleaning are occupying the time of some of these unfortunate men, whilst others have gone on the road as pedlars from village to village.

Certain navigating officers are acting as chauffeurs, driving milk-floats, and even as dog breeders, but surely the most uncommon job of all for a seaman is that of trimming graves and cleaning head-stones in a churchyard.

The foregoing only represent a few of the peculiar positions filled by fully qualified captains and deck officers during the grave shipping depression when there has been simply no chance of following their profession on the high seas.

GERMAN RAW MATERIAL SUBSTITUTES

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright), Berlin, Dec. 28.

The Institute for Market Research in its end of the year review says the scarcity of raw materials is being felt in some industries. Substitute textiles have not as yet made great advance, largely because of existing stocks and outstanding delivery contracts, but by 1935 it is likely to see a great development in the artificial silk industry and a number of new factories will begin operations. At present imports and home production cover three quarters of Germany's current textile requirements.

That any one had been injured. He explained that a car was parked on the left side of Pottinger Street and when he turned to the right, so as to avoid striking the car, his car ran on to the pavement and struck the wall.

Witness added that he had been informed that the passengers in the car examined the place around but found nobody hurt. The inquiry was then adjourned until to-day.

Defendant when charged stated that he did not know the meaning of "steal" as he had only brought the chairs home for his children who had told him there were no chairs at home.

Defendant had a previous conviction for larceny.

"It is a serious offence, uttering counterfeit coins," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when he sentenced Yeung Yuen, aged 29, unemployed, to three months' hard labour. Defendant was charged with uttering a counterfeit ten-cent piece to Lai Pak-kee, an eating house keeper, on Tuesday. Three counterfeit ten-cent pieces were found in the defendant's possession when he was arrested. Detective-Sergeant Poynts prosecuted.

Appearing at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of obtaining fifteen catties of grass paper by false pretences, from Li Siu-wah, a fook of the Cheung Kl paper shop, 26 Kilung Street, on December 22, Chak Lai, a shop fook, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

ATLANTIQUE ENQUIRY

New Surprise In Case

(Special Air Mail Service)

The sedate atmosphere of the First Appeal Court in Paris was disturbed when, during the hearing of the Atlantique appeal case, the names of Stavisky and of four mysterious Englishmen were suddenly mentioned.

According to Maitre Chrestell, counsel for the insurers, detectives on the track of the missing Stavisky jewels were the first to stumble on evidence of the highest importance to the insurers of the Atlantique, which tended to show that the electrical wiring of the ship had serious defects.

"Serious defects in the electrical wiring of the Atlantique first became known in a curious way," said Maitre Chrestell in March, 1934, he explained, the Surete Generale, tracking the missing Stavisky jewels in London, Paris, and Geneva, received information which led them to investigate the mysterious movements of four Englishmen, who cashed a large sum in a British bank in Geneva. The men had then slipped across the French frontier to the small village of Champagnolle.

Detective Inspector Charpentier, who, it will be recalled, broke in to find the dead body of Stavisky in Chamonix, questioned a certain Frenchman who lived in Champagnolle. This man, said Maitre Chrestell, was the representative in France of the British firm which supplied the gyroscopic compass and automatic pilot to the Atlantique.

"I Know A Secret"

According to Detective Inspector Charpentier's report, quoted by Maitre Chrestell, the Frenchman said: "I know a secret concerning the French mercantile marine." Replying to Charpentier's question why mysterious Englishmen came to see him, he said that before the Atlantique's last voyage he went on board to test his firm's apparatus. He found it in perfect order, but noted that the electrical installation on which it depended was defective. He immediately made a report to his London head office in order to protect his firm if the Atlantique experienced disaster resulting from a breakdown of the gyroscopic compass or automatic pilot.

When the Atlantique disaster occurred the Frenchman decided, as a patriotic citizen, to say nothing. In December, 1933, he received a visit from an Englishman who wanted him to go to London to give evidence regarding the Atlantique. He refused.

The Frenchman said in his statement that the Englishman who came to see him seemed perfectly acquainted with all he said in his report to London.

The insurers of the liner Atlantique, which was burned out, are appealing against the verdict of the previous court that the vessel is a total loss, and that even if it could be repaired, the cost would amount to over 100,000,000 francs (about £1,500,000). British companies would be liable for most of this sum.

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(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12. A scheme which may revolutionize long distance flying has been taken up by a leading firm of British aircraft constructors and will shortly be put to practical test.

Mr. R. H. Mayo is the holder of the patent concerned which is for "Composite Aircraft," the object being to enable highly loaded, high speed aeroplanes to be launched from special carrier aeroplanes in mid-air. The carrier aeroplane helps to lift the other to its operational height and then uncouples.

Hitherto the great difficulty has been to get heavily loaded aeroplanes to their operational height at the beginning of a long flight. The take-off has been a matter of danger and difficulty and the climb for the first few hundred feet has entailed a big drain on engine power.

With the "Composite aircraft" the ordinary take-off run for the second machine is eliminated and this machine is artificially furnished with a large margin of engine power and of wing surface. The result is that it is able to reach its operational height with a large overload of fuel. It is carried up by the "porter" aeroplane.

Bombing aeroplanes would be able to enjoy an increased radius of action and commercial machines would be able to use a higher wing loading and, therefore, a higher top speed.

Locking Devices
The "porter" aeroplane is attached to the other machine by means of special locking devices. It is only when the upper machine has sufficient lift to ensure safe separations of the two components and independent controlled flight of the upper machine, that separation of the two can take place.

The lower aeroplane has mounted on the upper surface of its wings sockets in which the axes of the under-carriage of the upper aeroplane rest. Further aft the lower aeroplane has mounted

on it another socket in which the fuselage of the upper machine is supported at about the mid-point.

The locking mechanism may be arranged to be released only by the combined or consecutive operation of controls located in both machines. Alternatively, it may be arranged to release automatically when a predetermined excess lift acts on the wings of the upper aeroplane.

If it be assumed, says the "Morning Post," that the upper aeroplane is a long-range aeroplane loaded up with petrol to such an extent that it would be unable to take off within the confines of the ordinary aerodrome, the function of the lower machine will be to help it to take-off quickly and to lift it to its operational height of 5,000 feet or more. When once there it can maintain level flight without difficulty for a long period.

Landing
No landing difficulty occurs because, by the time it has reached its destination and is preparing to land, a sufficient weight of fuel has been consumed to permit a reasonably slow gliding and landing speed. If, by any chance, a forced landing is imminent before much fuel has been consumed, the pilot would make use of some fuel-jettisoning device.

A parallel to the composite aircraft is to be found in the auxiliary locomotive sometimes employed in order to start a heavily laden train from a station on an up-grade. The auxiliary locomotive is only necessary for the up-grade and can subsequently be uncoupled. Similarly the "porter" aeroplane is only necessary for the initial climb and can subsequently be uncoupled.

Catapulting has also been proposed for the same purpose of getting heavily loaded aircraft into the air; but a catapult does not have the same effect as the Mayo scheme, because it does not assist the aeroplane in gaining its operational height, it only eliminates the take-off run.

COLLISION IN HARBOUR

As the Italian cruiser "Quarto" was leaving Harbour on Wednesday night she ran into a big cargo junk which was overturned as a result of the impact.

The cruiser in an attempt to avoid a launch which was towing a junk, swerved, only to run into the unfortunate cargo junk.

The crew and a cargo of rice were thrown into the water, but all were rescued except one small girl who is believed to have been drowned. The Quarto made a report of the incident to the police before proceeding to Saigon.

LOCAL PROBATES

John Reginald Hinton mercantile assistant, who died at the Canossa Hospital on March 5, 1932, left local estate valued at \$10,700. Mr. G. G. N. Tinson has been granted leave to seal certified copy of probate of the will.

Chan Wing-chi, of 62, Wuhu Street, Hanchow, died on December 2, 1933, leaving \$88,100, probate of the will being granted to Chan Wah.

She Leung-shuen, of 12, Jervois Street, died July 6, leaving \$42,600.

A FLOATING ICE FACTORY

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12.

A most remarkable ship was to be seen at Cardiff recently. She is the Tunisie, a floating ice factory. A well-known scientist, Professor Georges Claude, has equipped her with elaborate plant with which he hopes to produce ice in large quantities in tropical seas by utilising the differences in temperature found at the surface and in the depths of equatorial seas.

The Tunisie had so much of this apparatus—pipes, tanks, and cylinders—on deck, that the masts and funnel were practically hidden. She will also be accompanied by a cargo ship carrying 110 sections of thick piping, each 20 feet long. At a point about 12 miles from Rio de Janeiro the pipe will be lowered into the sea, and cold water will be pumped up through a canvas tube within it for conversion into ice. If the experiment is successful it is hoped to commercialise this idea.

Probate being granted to She Kait and She Fik-chuen.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The China Light And Power Co.

Mr. A. H. Compton, presiding at the Annual Meeting of the China Light and Power Company yesterday, reported a year of steady progress in practically every field of the company's activities. There were no questions asked at the meeting at all.

Supporting the Chairman were Mr. C. A. da Rosa, Sir Elly Kadoorie, Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, Mr. F. A. Joseph, Mr. M. K. Lo (Directors), Mr. D. W. Munton (Manager) and Mr. Noel Braga (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. T. M. Mitchell, M. E. Pollitt, F. M. Ellis, A. J. Walters, H. J. M. Figueroa, A. Nissim, Leung Yau Chong, P. C. Potts, F. Austin (attorney for A. J. David), Ling Man-1, H. R. Sequeira, G. C. Moxon, P.M.N. da Silva, P. da Silva, D. Ellis (attorney for O. I. Ellis), H. Samuel, Chua Seng Choo, C. M. da Silva, G. A. Harriman, R. Pestonji, J. H. Shaw, L. C. F. Bellamy, J. V. Braga, Lo Kai Wing, and K. C. Mok.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:

Gentlemen.—It is much to be regretted that our Chairman, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, is not able to preside at the Meeting, but I am sure it is matter for general satisfaction that his health is steadily improving, so that we may hope he will very shortly be quite himself again.

Before dealing with the Accounts, I should like to make reference to the death of one of our Directors, Mr. Lo Cheung Shu, the news of which was received with general regret.

The Accounts for the financial year ended 30th September, 1934, have been in your hands for the requisite time, and I will therefore take them as read.

The Gross Profit for the year amounted to \$1,245,927.04, as against \$1,134,690.02 for the previous financial year. After charging Profit and Loss Account with Directors' Fees, Auditors' and Consultants' Fees, Interest, Depreciation, etc., the Nett Profit stands at \$781,283.42.

There is very little of particular interest for me to report to you in connection with the year now under review. It has been a period rather of steady, satisfactory progress than one of any spectacular development.

During the year we acquired a small house on Humphreys' Avenue and adapted it to our needs as a Substation and a Cash Collecting Office and Showroom.

Development of our New Territories undertaking continues and the results may be considered satisfactory.

After making the usual transfer of \$80,000 to Reserve re General Managers' Rights and an additional transfer this year of \$104,935.01, we have a sum of \$785,815.16 (including \$189,466.75 brought forward) available for distribution. We recommend the payment of a dividend of 45 cents per share on the "Old" Shares and proportionately on the "New" Shares, leaving about \$101,498.59 to be carried forward.

Shareholders will agree with me that we owe a great deal to the loyalty, industry and efficiency of our staff, without which such results could not be attained.

I now put the following formal resolution to the Meeting:—

That the Report and Accounts for the financial year ended 30th September, 1934, as presented to this Meeting, be adopted and passed, that a Dividend of 45 cents per share on the shares allotted prior to 1st October, 1933, and proportionately on the shares allotted subsequently to that date be declared in respect of the financial year ended 30th September, 1934, and that the undivided profits of the Company (after the transfer of a sum of \$184,935.01 to Reserve re General Managers' Rights) less such Dividend be carried forward to Profit and Loss Account for the financial year 1934/35.

When that has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer questions from shareholders as well as I can.

Mr. F. A. Joseph seconded and the resolution was adopted.

The re-election of Sir Elly Kadoorie, L.B.E., and Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga to the Board of Directors, was confirmed on the proposal of Mr. T. M. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. H. J. M. Figueroa. Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors for the company on the proposal

ANNUAL DINNER

Chinese Catholic Y.M. Society

Over a hundred guests and members were present at the Annual Dinner of the Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society last night at the Society's premises which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The dinner was held in honour of their Patron Saint, St. John the Evangelist.

Among those present were His Lordship Bishop Valtorta, Fathers Spada, Teruzzi, Rossi, Bruzzone, G. Byrne S. J., MacDonald S. J., Ryan S. J., Brothers Mathias, Cassian, Messrs. H. Dixon, A. Alves, L. A. Barton and very many others.

After the toasts to His Holiness The Pope and the Republic of China had been drunk, Mr. Robert Chao, the chairman of the Society, in extending a hearty welcome to the guests, reviewed the year's activities of the Society in which a drive was made for a membership campaign during September and October and he took the opportunity to thank the directors of St. Joseph's College and Wah Yan College for allowing them to talk to the boys in connection with that drive.

In April a dinner was also held in honour of Archbishop Zanin, the new Apostolic Delegate to China. The Society was "at home" in June at which the prizes won in the Catechism Competition sponsored by the Society were presented. They were also engaged during the year with religious social services and had, as in the past, helped the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in their annual drive and Bazaar. At present a night school is being conducted by the Society for Catholic students of the parish organised by Father Maestrini. He urged the members to live up to the motto of their Society i.e. "P. A.S." which means Prayer, Action and Sacrifice. He ended his speech by wishing that 1935 will find China and the whole world at peace.

Bishop Valtorta spoke of the good work done by the Society and exhorted them to continue. Father G. Byrne replied on behalf of the guests.

After a sumptuous repast the prizes won in the Billiard Tournament were presented to the winners by Bishop Valtorta.

DYES THAT DYE IN DEEPER HUES

(Special Air Mail Service)

Coloured fabrics with increased resistance to fading, and dyes that will "keep" better than those now in use, may result from the discovery of the new heavy water, according to Professor M. Polanyi, of Manchester University, who lectured at the Royal Institution, London.

Heavy water, Professor Polanyi explained, contains hydrogen atoms which are twice as heavy as those of ordinary hydrogen. The substitution of these double-weight atoms might lead, he thought, to the production of more stable dyes and chemicals generally.

Knowledge of the new heavy hydrogen, he said, might also assist scientists to work out the mechanism of hydrogenation—one way in which coal can be turned into oil.

of Mr. A. Nissim, seconded by Mr. F. Ellis.

It was announced the dividend warrants could be had on application to the office on and after January 7.

CORRESPONDENCE

Full letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

[To the Editor, The "Hong Kong Daily Press"]

DIFFERENCE IN WAGES

Sir,—Your correspondent Lee Kiang Chee is a welcome sympathiser to the Mercantile Marine Officers, even though his sympathies are, at present, somewhat divided. May I suggest that Mr. Lee endeavour—as a layman, to discover what becomes of the amount of money representing the difference between the wages the owners agreed to pay and the sum the Mercantile Marine Officers actually receive, some being "far below a living wage"? Also, if no coercion is used in the engaging of these men, how did their numerous predecessors come to vacate their berths? Mr. Lee might give his full sympathies to the Mercantile Marine Officers after obtaining information on these two points alone, not to mention a number of others.—Yours,

ANTI SQUEEZE.
Hong Kong, Dec. 27, 1934.

INDIA DEBATE IMPRESSIONS

Manuscript Notes Discarded

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12. Every one of the chief speakers at the Conservative Council's India debate had manuscript notes.

They did not all stick to their notes. It was when notes were laid aside that the debate reached its highest levels.

Lord Derby's speech made a great impression. Next to his should place Sir Austen Chamberlain's.

They were in complete contrast. Each had a story of conversion to tell. Lord Derby gave his testimony bluntly without oratorical embellishment. Sir Austen employed the most telling Parliamentary gestures, readjusting his monocle with impressive legibility.

Lord Salisbury's Health Mr. Churchill was in good form and thoroughly roused his followers. Mr. Baldwin's matter was admirably constructed, but his manner suggested no relish for the job.

Lord Eustace Percy spoke well for Mr. Amery's resolution and Sir Joseph Hall for Lord Salisbury's amendment. Mr. Amery himself was disappointing. So for the amendment, were Sir Henry Page Croft and Lord Hartington.

Lord Salisbury's speech was good, and a triumph over difficulties. He is not well. He is leaving shortly for a health cruise to South Africa.

It is gathered that the opponents of the Government policy have gained 20 recruits among peers and M.P.s in the last three days.

They have lost Commander Agnew, M.P., whose resignation from the India Defence League has been announced, and Mr. Reginald Clarry, M.P. Lord Melchett has also broken away from the anti-White Paper section.

It is unlikely that the critics will make a move to secure a

NEW OFFER REFUSED

NO SETTLEMENT LIKELY

Shipping Strike Now Unavoidable

A special meeting of the members of the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, which was attended by forty ranks, was held last night to consider the question of the "walk out" which has been fixed for midnight on Saturday in respect of Chinese-owned steamers, whose owners are not paying the arbitration scale of wages.

Many details of the situation were discussed. An announcement was made to the meeting that seven Chinese companies, representing the owners of nine vessels, through a local solicitor had made an offer to their employees to the following effect:—

The owners who were not signatories to the Hong Kong Arbitration Award in consideration of their signing the Guild's agreement to recognise the award, be given six months' grace and that they be allowed to pay the rates they are paying at the moment and to pay the arbitration award rate as from July 1, 1935.

The offer was discussed by the meeting and the feeling was unanimous that it should be turned down and that there was no possibility of the strike being called off unless the Arbitration Scale of rates be paid as from January 1, 1935.

GIANT AIR-LINER LAUNCHED

Trials Of Pacific Planes This Week

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 20. The giant four-motored 28-passenger-Clipper VII, to be used by the Pan-American Airways in trans-Pacific air service to China was launched to-day at the factory of the Glenn Martin Aircraft Corporation.

It is the largest aeroplane ever designed and constructed in the United States, and has a cruising radius of 4,000 miles and a speed of 190 miles an hour.

Trial flight will be held this week and then the plane will be flown to San Francisco, whence it will later take off for the Far East, carrying a cargo of mail. The service during the first year of operation will be exclusively mail and, after the experimental stage has passed, passengers will be carried.

Additional flying boats of the same type are being constructed for the trans-Pacific service also.

special conference of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations, which could be called on a requisition from a given number of local associations. The critics will, however, make the point that the majority of the Council are afraid to call a conference.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

Command of Aircraft Depot

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12. Group Captain H. J. F. Hunter, M.C., has now taken over the command of the Aircraft Depot at Hinaldi, Iraq, from Group Captain James McCrae, M.B.E. The officer commanding this depot is attached to headquarters of the British Forces in Iraq for maintenance questions.

Group Captain Hunter is the tennis player who has several times won the R.A.F. championship during the last 12 years. From Eton and Sandhurst he entered The Rifle Brigade, was seconded to the R.F.C. in 1916 and served in France. He was the senior R.A.F. officer in H.M.S. Hermes in China in 1928, and on his return graduated at the Staff College.

Inter-Command Flights The aircraft of No. 60 (Bomber) Squadron which crashed in British Malaya on Tuesday, and from which Flight Lieutenant A. E. Falsh and his passenger landed safely by parachute, was one of four Wapitis which were making an ordinary duty inter-command flight from the Indian North-West Frontier to Singapore. The return journey is due to begin on December 11, and the aircraft are due at Mergui on December 12; Rangoon, December 13; Dacca, December 16; Cawnpore, December 17; Ambala, December 20; and Kohat, their own base, on December 21. A similar inter-command flight is due to be made next month by 12 Hawker Haris of No. 11 (Bomber) Squadron at Risalpur, accompanied by one Vickers Victoria transport bomber carrying baggage and stores.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

G. R. NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that the following licences and permits are due for renewal on the 1st January, 1935:—

- (i) Private Ricksha & Driver Licences.
- (ii) "Chair" " "
- (iii) Tricycle " "
- (iv) Public Motor Vehicle Licences.
- (v) Motor Permits.

Tri-cycles must be taken for inspection before re-licensing to No. 2 Police Station, Wanchai, or Tsing Sha Tsui Police Station, Kowloon, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., between January 2nd and January 22nd, 1935.

T. H. KING,

Inspector General of Police.
Hong Kong, 27th December, 1934.

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THE FANING HUNT & RACE CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Members will be held at the Board Room of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thursday, the 3rd January, 1935, at 12 o'clock Noon.

By Order of the Committee,
THOMSON & CO.,
Chartered Accountants,
Secretaries.

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ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

THE New Term will Open January 2nd. Entrance Examination for New Students, Saturday, December 29th at 9.30 a.m.

For Prospectus, for Day-boys and Boarders, Apply to Li Hoi Tung, Esq., Banker & Co., Bank of China Building, (Tel. 20662) or to The Warden.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

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CYCLOPROPANE

New Safe & Speedy Anaesthetic

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 7.

A new anaesthetic—cyclopropane—which "may possibly fulfil the hitherto unattained ideal of the safety and speed of nitrous oxide ('laughing gas') combined with the calm and quiet relaxation of chloroform," is described in the current issue of the "British Medical Journal," with a report upon early trials in Great Britain.

Cyclopropane was originally used in Toronto a few years ago. It is a colourless gas, slightly heavier than air, with a sweetish odour not unlike chloroform. It is non-irritating to the air passages and causes little, if any, changes in the blood pressure or blood chemistry. If pushed to excess, signs of respiratory difficulty show themselves before heart failure occurs. From all these aspects the new gas appears to be a useful advance.

At present, however, its cost is very high, but used in a "closed circuit" this can be considerably minimized. In the method described the patient breathes into an airtight cushioned "mask" and this is connected to a bag into which cyclopropane and oxygen can be allowed to run.

The expired carbonic acid gas is absorbed and once sufficient cyclopropane has been administered to secure the degree of anaesthesia required, the supply of this gas can be shut off, and the patient continues to breathe this over and over again, while oxygen is kept running as required for maintaining aeration of the blood. In theory, therefore, a limited amount of the expensive gas only is required, and the anaesthetic is prolonged with a trickle of oxygen only. In practice there is a slight loss of cyclopropane through the apparatus, so a little renewal is required.

The new gas has the disadvantage of being explosive in the presence of oxygen, but since a closed circuit system is used, such a danger need not affect its usefulness. The present report is necessarily of a preliminary nature, and more extensive trials are required before anything like general use becomes likely.

DEATH

KENNETH.—On November 11, 1934, at St. Anthony Hospital, Cheam, Surrey, England, Janetta Margaret, the widow of the late Herbert William Kenneth and beloved mother of Laurence J. Knudsen, of Shanghai. (Aged 77 years).

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RESCUED FROM IDLENESS

Much attention has been engaged over the controversial features of the Unemployment Act, which became law in England last June. But too little has been said about one of its phases which provided that all unemployed girls and boys between the ages of 14 and 18 might be required to go through courses at juvenile centres. Education authorities are now endeavouring to meet the new demand on their services.

It should be understood that this far-reaching reform is not an experiment. Since 1918 it has been pursued under a number of acts of Parliament which provided that unemployed boys and girls under certain circumstances should be required to attend instruction schools. The experience helped to save thousands of young persons from that loss of morale which so often results from unemployment. Crime among them was infrequent. Character and physique improved.

This being the lesson taught by prolonged experiment the extension of the service to all the young unemployed is a reform which should have lasting effects on the whole life of the nation. Henceforward all young people up to the age of 18 will, if out of work, either be compelled to attend centres, or, if unusually intelligent children, will be given special education facilities. It may be admitted that it would be better still if the children were kept longer at school—ideally, till 18 rather than 14. Such a provision would almost abolish unemployment among juveniles, and would remove the necessity for unemployed instruction centres. But in the absence of such a provision the next best thing is that these centres should be universally available for boys and girls at their most impressionable age.

GRIMSBY'S NEW FISH DOCK

Largest In The World

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12.

The beginning of October saw the completion of an engineering work which has been in progress for the last four years; this was the world's largest fish dock, which has been constructed at Grimsby, in Yorkshire, at a cost of £1,500,000.

The new dock provides an increase of 37 acres of water for the accommodation of trawlers and is equipped with the latest machinery for the repairs, refitting and coaling of vessels engaged in the fishing industry.

Over 26 miles of new sidings were laid down, a five-span reinforced concrete bridge constructed over the main railway lines and a large diversion of the main sewage outfall carried out in connection with the dock scheme.

Grimsby's new fish dock is the first to have a system of electric lighting, which enables full day-light activities to be carried on throughout the night.

The special scheme designed by the General Electric Co., of England, provides adequate lighting for all purposes, including navigational lights to direct incoming and outgoing vessels.

Sir Lindsay Parkinson and Co., who were the main contractors for this undertaking, have been responsible for several large civil engineering schemes in recent years, amongst them the £2,000,000 road from Manchester to Liverpool, which was opened by His Majesty the King in July of this year.

PEACEFUL UNIFICATION IN CHINA

Mr. Wang Ching Wei's Radio Talk

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright.)
Nanking, Dec. 27.

In a half hour speech entitled "Peaceful Unification" delivered at the Nanking Central Radio Station last night, Mr. Wang Ching Wei reaffirmed national policy and outlined the five-point programme contained in the manifesto jointly issued on November 27 by himself and General Chiang Kai Shek, which was adopted at the fifth plenary session.

Reiterating the aims to abjure forcible settlement of internal differences, he declared that the policy should not be misunderstood as Government's admission of either weakness or apathy. In order to struggle against the crisis, China must attain national strength equalling the world's best countries, which is only possible through avoidance of energy wastage in civil wars and conserving

strength by centralisation and co-ordination.

Commenting on current Press controversies over the desirability of dictatorship he asserted that party tutelage should not be confused with dictatorship, the former aiming at democracy while the latter aimed at autocracy.

Citing the case of Italy, Mr. Wang Ching Wei said that during the great war Italy sent 4,000,000 soldiers to the field and suffered casualties of 1,400,000 while only 40,000 marched to Rome, suffering only two casualties, showing that the entire nation welcomed the new regime.

The Chinese position, he pointed out, was radically different. Until the population attains the Italian standard of political enlightenment, every soldier knowing for what he fights, dictatorship is impossible.—China United Press

PANAMA DROPS TARIFFS

Virtual Free Trade Created

Panama, Dec. 28.

The President of Panama today signed a law creating virtual free trade avenues into the republic and benefitting considerably British India, Hong Kong and Great Britain.

The law exempts from duty over 600 articles and gives the President power to include others as the need arises.

The law becomes effective on June 1, 1935.

Free imports do not have to pay any re-export charges.

President Arias, interviewed, stated that he plans to place a tariff only on imports competing with native produce. Manufacturers may lose some revenue, and it is estimated that they stand to lose £100,000 in trade annually, but it is believed that this sacrifice will be easily offset by creating a distributing centre here for Central and South America and also by increasing the tourist business, which is largely in the hands of British Indians.—Reuter.

PLOT UNEARTHED IN UKRAINE

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London, Dec. 27.

According to a Riga despatch to the "Times" there is a movement on foot aiming at the independence of Ukraine. The authorities are said to have unearthed a plot with that end in view as a result of which another thorough "clean up" was carried through the party ranks. The despatch fails to mention how many have been killed.—Transocean Kuo Min.

SMUGGLERS SHOT

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Amsterdam, Dec. 27.

One dead, seven wounded (among whom were two who are in a serious condition) is the result of a shooting incident between the Dutch customs officials and smugglers at Gassel, not far from the Dutch-Belgian frontier. The Customs officials suffered no casualties.—Transocean Kuo Min.

BUSINESS RECOVERY SPEEDING UP

Washington, Dec. 27. Definite speeding up in business recovery in 1935 led by a decided forward movement of fundamental and heavy goods industries is predicted by Mr. Roper, Secretary of Commerce. He declared that the autumn season was the best since 1929 and the mental poise of the American public was more satisfactory than in 1929.—Reuter.

ARRESTS IN PEIPING

Nanking, Dec. 27.

Two staff members of the Peiping Palace Museum, Liu Wang Ao and Hsiao Hsiang Pei, have been brought here for trial in connection with alleged theft of palace treasures. The former was arrested in Peiping and the latter in Shanghai.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Yi Peh Chi, former director of the Museum, but his whereabouts so far are not known.—Reuter.

DR. KUNG'S VISIT TO SOUTH

Shanghai, Dec. 27.

Dr. H. H. Kung, Finance Minister, interviewed by Chinese pressmen, announced his plans to make an inspection trip to the South-west in the near future when he will call on the leaders, including Mr. Hu Han Min, and further discuss with them a closer accord with Nanking.—Reuter.

MR. ARIYOSHI ARRIVES

Nanking, Dec. 27.

Mr. Ariyoshi arrived from Shanghai this morning accompanied by Mr. Arino and other Legation officials. The Japanese Minister is visiting Mr. Wang Ching Wei this afternoon.—Reuter.

C.E.C. COMMENDATION

Nanking, Dec. 27.

The Central Executive Council Standing Committee to-day decided to issue a mandate publicly commending Mr. Teng Chieh Yu in view of his services to the country.

Mr. Ma Chao Chun, formerly Legislative Yuan member, has been appointed to fill the post of member of the State Council left vacant by Mr. Teng's death.—Reuter.

DUTCH RUBBER CONTROL

Batavia, Dec. 27.

The future basis for native rubber restriction will be discussed at a meeting of the High Council on January 21. The Governor General will preside and the meeting will be attended by directors of the Civil Service, Economic Affairs and Finance Departments, as well as heads of the Civil Service in Sumatra, Banka, Riau and Borneo.—Reuter.

DEATH OF FAMOUS FINANCIER

New York, 28.

Mr. John Emory Andrus, reputed to be one of the wealthiest men in the world, passed away today at the age of 93.

In other days, he was one of the great fighting figures on Wall Street, and his movements in the market resulted in fatal slumps and sensational rises in stocks he attacked or supported.—Reuter.

PROFESSIONAL TENNIS AT WEMBLEY

Complete Success

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12.

W. T. Tilden's first big professional lawn tennis tournament staged at the Wembley Empire Pool, proved to be a complete success both from the spectacular and financial considerations. And despite the fact that London was enveloped in the worst week's fog known for many years.

Six players took part competing on the all-play all principle for three cash prizes £250, £150, and £100, plus a percentage of gate receipts.

Vines emerged victorious winning all his matches while almost the whole of the London press had boomed Hans Nusslein, the German to win.

Exciting Games
The winner played the most exciting games against W. T. Tilden. There one saw for the first time in England two players both possessing hurricane strokes acting one another, not only in the service delivery but in the drives and the volleys.

Never before had an English crowd seen Tilden being aces two and three times in succession by a cannon-ball service. For years Tilden produce those coups against all comers. Wimbledon has never given what Wembley supplied; and during the week there must have been an attendance of 30,000 people at prices ranging from 3/6 to 15/- per night.

The average standard of the big matches was far in advance of play seen at Wimbledon where one has to sit through a week or more of eliminating contests.

Hans Nusslein met his first serious opposition from W. T. Tilden on the third night and won by 3-6, 6-1, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

Anno Domini was the cause of Tilden's defeat; but never before in this country has he fought harder to win a match.

Twice in the last set he held the game point to level the score at five all.

Nusslein was a perfectly marvellous fellow in the way that he returned with interest so many of Tilden's wide-swing shots to the extreme corners. His footwork was superb and his anticipation uncanny. Nusslein kept the ball in play with firmly punched drives while Tilden tried by sheer speed to knock him off the court.

Brilliant Spectacle

Next night came the question—what could Vines do against this indefatigable player. But this time Nusslein was just downed though not before four close sets had run their full-blooded course. Vines won by 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-5.

And finally on the last night came the most brilliant spectacle of all when Vines beat Tilden by 9-7, 7-5, 6-2.

Tilden at the age of 42 was giving away twenty years to both Nusslein and Vines. His magnificent displays were all the more noteworthy. Without question he was the magnetic personality of the courts. His stroke play had lost none of its unique artistry. He lacked only the finishing punch to produce as many winning cannon-ball services whereby he was on top of the world for so many years as an amateur.

D. Maskell, the Wimbledon professional, was brought in to give an English angle to the tournament and was a complete failure incapable of winning a single set from any opponent.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Four cases of Diphtheria, one of Enteric Fever, and one of Cerebro-Spinal Fever were reported to the Health Authorities for the 72 hours ended Dec. 26.

Dr. Sherwood Eddy, who is expected to arrive in the Colony next week, will be the speaker on Thursday January 3, 1935 at the "Y" Men's Club's luncheon, which will start at 12.30 instead of at 1 o'clock.

The Annual General meeting of members of the Fanning Hunt and Race Club will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., on Thursday January 3 at noon.

Chinese cigarette factory owners in Shanghai are opposing the order of the Ministry of Finance which prohibits cigarette factories from issuing prize coupons in cigarette packets.

The new highway built by troops of the Third Route Army between Kwangchang and Ningtu in Kiangsi has been completed. The trip from Nanchang to Ningtu by motor car will require about ten hours.

Preparations are being made by the local Kuomintang Headquarters to publish a half-monthly magazine entitled "Tang Sung" (Party Voice) which will contain information bearing on Party affairs.

The closing date of the St. John Ambulance Painting Competition has been extended to January 15. All school children may send in as many pictures as they wish for the entrance fee of 30 cents per exhibitor.

Mr. A. K. Henderson, formerly a member of the staff of the Hong Kong Tramway Company, has been elected a Magistrate of Gourock where he had been living since his retirement. Mr. Henderson, previous to his election had been a member of the Town Council for several years.

Over £28, which she claims to represent the savings of seven years, was stolen from a woman earth-carrier Wednesday morning after she was decoyed by two men. By a promise of employment, to a vacant floor at 242 Canton Road, Yau-mai.

After binding the woman, the robbers made good their escape.

Beginning January 1, 1935, the Ministry of Finance will appropriate a monthly grant of \$10,000 for the administrative expenses of the Chinghai Provincial Government.

The Dollar Steamship Lines advise that their liner s.s. President Coolidge will sail from Hong Kong at 8 a.m. on Saturday, December 29th, for Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. notify that the following cables are lying at their offices:—

Miss Harries, agents Nord Deutscher from Ballarat, Victoria; Esbriell from Chicago; Horace Bell, Jr., U.S.S. Dodge from Mission, Texas.

The Bureau of Education Shanghai has despatched notices to various local universities and colleges, reiterating its order prohibiting students from frequenting dance halls. The notice also asks students to wear uniform all ways.

The following is the return of Notifiable Diseases which were reported to the Health Authorities during the week ended December 23:—Small Pox 1; Diphtheria 6 (one death); Enteric Fever 3 (2 deaths); Cerebro-Spinal Fever 2 (2 deaths). There were 51 deaths from Tuberculosis.

SOLDIER WITH "DUAL PERSONALITY"

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 7.

Medical evidence suggesting that a soldier had a dual personality and that he spent a week at Brighton without his other self realizing it, was given at an Alder shot Court-martial.

The soldier—Company Quartermaster Sergeant James Taylor, aged 32, of the 2nd Battalion Cameron Highlanders—pleaded not guilty to charges of fraudulent conversion of £37 belonging to the sergeant's mess funds and absence without leave for six days.

Mayor H. B. F. Dixon, R.A.M.C., who was called by the defence, said that Taylor had been examined by an eminent neurologist and a brain specialist, and they had formed the opinion that Taylor had suffered

NEWS SUMMARY

The China Light and Power Co., Ltd., held their Annual General Meeting yesterday when Mr. A. H. Compton presiding, reported a successful year of steady progress. Page 7

The results of the various competitions that took place at Fanning over the Christmas holidays will be found on Page 10

At a special meeting of the members of the China Coast Officers' and the Marine Engineers' Guilds a new offer made on behalf of certain owners was turned down. Page 7

The Shanghai Ladies' Hockey team is expected to arrive on February 2 to play Hong Kong Ladies in an Interport Hockey match. Page 10

A coroner's inquiry was held yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy into the death of Chan On whose body was found on the No. 7 Railway Bridge on November 21. Page 7

Another coroner's enquiry was held at the Central Magistracy into the death of a coolie who was alleged to have been struck by a motor car. Page 7

The yacht race to Macao for the Potts Challenge Cup resulted in Sea Lark V winning comfortably from Laire and Mistral. Page 10

The Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society held their annual dinner last night in honour of St. John the Evangelist their patron Saint. Page 7

CROWDED AREAS IN ENGLAND

Protest Against Tall Tenements

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12.

A strong protest against the Minister of Health's suggestion that the housing problem of the central areas of England's cities should be solved by tall tenement buildings was made by Sir Raymond Unwin, the architect, in his Chadwick Memorial lecture at the Royal Society of Arts, London, recently.

"Arguments are being put forward," he said, "that we should abandon on a large scale the tradition of a single family house. I hope that we shall not do so, but I believe we are being driven to it mainly because we have neglected to provide enough houses."

"If local authorities had been allowed and encouraged to maintain the 1927 rate of building," he said, "I calculate that by now there would have been just about one house for every family, with perhaps a small surplus over to enable us to get rid of some of our slums without causing a new shortage."

With regard to his idea of spreading the population of London over a larger area, Sir Raymond pointed out that every family in England and Wales could be housed, on the basis of ten houses to the acre, within the area of Greater London.

Living-Near-Work Theory
"The necessity of a man living near his work is overrated in this connection," he said. "Only today I travelled in a Tube train from Golders Green with workmen returning after their day's work to live in the congested area of the centre."

"There is no country that has adopted high building that would not be glad to be without it," he said. It was significant, he added, that just as England was turning towards high buildings, America was turning away from them. This was shown by the policy adopted in connection with President Roosevelt's clearance schemes. Buildings of only two and three storeys were being put up on most expensive land in the heart of St. Louis as the best solution of the slum problem.

from epileptic automatism, and probably had a tumorous brain. In cases of epilepsy Major Dixon added, a patient frequently passed into a state of automatism or dual personality in which he made do, ridiculous or criminal things without his other self realizing he was doing wrong.

PLOT AGAINST SOVIET OFFICIALS

Allegations Of Foreign Assistance

Moscow, Dec. 26. The allegation that a foreign consulate whose nationality was not stated, was in close touch with those responsible for the murder of Kirov, was made in the indictment against Nikolayev and thirteen other rebel Communists who were accused of plotting the assassination of Kirov.

The indictment declares that former members of the Zinovieff "Opposition Group" in Leningrad planned the coup with the object of changing the policy of the Soviet Government and placing Zinovieff and Trotsky in power. They sought to accomplish this by acts of terrorism against Soviet leaders.

The group counted on armed assistance from certain foreign states, Nikolayev apparently admits, that he negotiated with the unnamed consulate with regard to assistance for the plotters. The consulate is said to have supplied the rebels with money.

Furthermore, the consulate said it could establish connections with Trotsky if Nikolayev gave them a letter from the group to the former Soviet leader.

The aims and methods of the plotting group coincided with those of the White Guard Russian organisations abroad, which were responsible for previous murders of prominent Soviet officials, the indictment adds.

Official quarters allege that Nikolayev has admitted his guilt in plotting the death of Kirov.—*Reuter.*

CONSPIRATORS' PLAN

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Moscow, Dec. 27. According to an official communiqué, the murder of Nikolayev is said to have confessed that the terrorists had not only planned the murder of Kirov, but even that of Stalin. The communiqué claims that Nikolayev and the others who are under arrest had

confessed that Stalin, Molotov, Kaganovich and Kirov were to be removed, to be replaced by Trotsky, Zinovieff and Kamenev. It had been the aim of the conspirators to make Trotsky leader of the Bolshevik regime.

In order to attain his goal Nikolayev is said to have entered into relations with a certain foreign consulate. Foreign observers, however, give little credence to these stories, pointing out that it is clear that Nikolayev killed Kirov for a personal grudge, holding that Kirov was responsible for his dismissal from his post, his degradation and his long unemployment. *Transocean Kuo Min.*

TROTSKY WARNED

Paris, Dec. 27. A new warning to abstain from any political activity was sent by the French Government to Trotsky, who is living in exile in Central France. Should Trotsky refuse to comply with this request he would be deported at once.

This new move on the part of the French Government is said to be inspired by the Soviet authorities who had informed Paris that Trotsky is implicated in the recent terrorist conspiracy. The French secret police declare that Trotsky, whose whereabouts are not known to the general public, is under the strictest control, but the French secret police add that they have failed to discover anything that would warrant the assumption that the ex-revolutionary is continuing his political activities.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

ZINOVIEFF'S PETITION

London, Dec. 27. The "Daily Mail" reports from Warsaw that Zinovieff in a petition to Stalin seeks for mercy. Moscow government quarters are still uncertain what they should do with Zinovieff, whose complicity cannot be definitely proved. According to one version the Soviet intends to shoot him, while another source states that he will probably be exiled.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

A NEW NAZI PURGE

Sensational Report From Paris

Berlin, Dec. 27. An official denial has been issued here of a sensational report in the Paris Press to-day concerning a new Nazi purge. Reports which are quoted from the Prague newspaper "Weltbuehne" state that over 230 Nazi chiefs were arrested and executed during December. It is officially admitted that a number of arrests had taken place in connection with homosexual offences, but these arrests were reported in previous despatches, the most important of which is the arrest of Brueckner, ex-Governor of Upper Silesia.

Nothing is known in official circles of the Prague report. The police force throughout Germany is being reorganised shortly.—*Reuter.*

SIAMESE DELEGATION MEETINGS

London, Dec. 27. The delegation from Bangkok twice met the King of Siam during the Christmas holidays. The secretary of the delegation says it is too early yet to make a definite announcement, but another meeting is expected shortly.—*Reuter.*

GOERING'S REPORTED ENGAGEMENT

Well-Wishers Disappointed
Berlin, Dec. 27. It is reported that General Goering has joined the Benedictines and has become engaged to Fraulein Emmy Sonnemann, the actress, but well-wishers are disappointed that the engagement is officially denied.—*Reuter.*

MALARIA IN CEYLON

Threat To The Capital

Colombo, Dec. 27. The malaria epidemic in Ceylon now threatens the capital itself. The General Hospital is already overcrowded. The epidemic, although warning in some districts, is leaving a weakened and starved population.

An old man, a victim of the epidemic, was incinerated at Avissawella within sight of his son, also fever-stricken, who saw the fire but was unable to move to extinguish it.

Carol singers, calling themselves "Humming Mosquitoes" are touring Colombo collecting large sums for relief.—*Reuter.*

POLAND'S NOTORIOUS BANDIT KILLED

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Warsaw, Dec. 27. The notorious bandit Maczuga was shot dead when he attempted unsuccessfully to escape from prison. He was Poland's public enemy No. 1 and with his co-gangsters terrorised Southern Poland for years but was captured a few weeks ago.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

DR. WANG RETURNS TO SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Dec. 27. Dr. Wang Chung Hui returned to Shanghai this morning from Fenghua where he reported the results of his Hong Kong visit to General Chiang Kai-shek.—*Reuter.*

PANTOMIMES IN LONDON

Great Popularity At Present

London, Dec. 27. Four pantomimes at the West End and seven at the nearer suburban theatres testify to their undying popularity among the British public.

There are three Cinderellas, two each of Aladdin and Whittington, one each of Robinson Crusoe, Jack and the Beanstalk, Sinbad the Sailor, Robin Hood and Babes in the Wood combined. Critics are startled into unwonted activity and comment delightedly that while other theatricals change with the times, pantomimes remain eternally the same, yet never fail to arouse enthusiasm and roars of laughter.

For sheer gorgeousness Drury Lane, as always, is the first. June plays Cinderella, Phyllis Neilson Terry plays Prince Charming, and Dan Leno, jun., plays Cinderella's father, and also wrote the book, but Whittington at the Lyceum, where tradition is very strictly followed, promises another traditional triumph.

All big provincial theatres are revelling in pantomime. The surprise of the year is the ventriloquist turn by Sir Henry Lytton of Birmingham in Aladdin, recalling forgotten days when he appeared as a ventriloquist at music halls thirty years ago. His great song is "I'm the Emperor of China."

Peter Pan and all the usual Christmas shows brilliantly reappear while the undying favourites When Knights Were Bold and The Belle of New York are playing at the West End and well sustain the accustomed lustre.—*Reuter.*

THREAT TO CRUSH FRANCE

Hitler To Retract Statement

Paris, Dec. 26. "Le Journal," to-day, states that Herr Hitler will publicly retract the passage in his autobiography "Mein Kampf," in which he declares that Germany must crush France as a step to pave the way to a resumption of diplomatic negotiations for solution of the present Franco-German disarmament impasse. He will make his retraction after the Saar plebiscite, the paper says.

It adds that Hitler will explain that this passage was written during a period of bitterness while he was imprisoned in a fortress following an unsuccessful attempt at a Nazi rising ten years ago and when French troops were in occupation of the Ruhr.—*Reuter.*

LEAGUE HELP TO CHINA

Geneva, Dec. 27. In pursuance of the programme for placing League technical experts at the disposal of China for reconstruction work, M. Avenol is sending M. Haas, French director of the Transit Section of the League Secretariat to China for two months.—*Reuter.*

TRADE PROSPECTS FOR NEW YEAR

A Generally Promising Outlook

London, Dec. 27. Following record sales of all shops, the trade prospects in the New Year appear to be generally promising.

The electricity output and consumption for the year ended March 31 last show a striking increase. Units generated amounted to 14,175 million over 13 per cent above the previous year and the largest increase since the Electricity Commissioners began to record statistics in 1920/21.

The consumption of electricity in the industrial areas of central

SILVER POLICY IN CHINA

Statements Dispel Rumours

Shanghai, Dec. 27.

Out of a welter of rumours, reports and denials regarding the future policy of the National Government in relation to silver come two most definite statements from General Chiang Kai-shek and Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, both of whom declare that there is no intention on the part of the Government to devalue the silver dollar.

Dr. Kung definitely states that rumour-mongers have been exciting the financial market to their own advantage with reports that the Government intended to devalue the dollar, adopt a policy of inflation and adopt a standard paper currency. These he denies.

General Chiang Kai-shek, in a special interview at Fenghua, corroborates Dr. Kung's statements. In order to meet the present silver shortage in Shanghai, it is freely reported that \$20,000,000 worth of silver is being sent from Hong Kong to Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

MARKET REACTION

Shanghai, Dec. 27. The local financial market reaction to General Chiang Kai-shek's statement on silver published in this morning's newspapers is favourable. Chinese reports state. Rumours regarding devaluation of the silver dollar are now dissipated and the market is quiet.—*Reuter.*

SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Dec. 27.

London silver prices to-day were 3/18 up as follows:

Spot 23-15/16 24-1/8

Forward 24-1/16 24-1/4

London on New York cross rate at 2.00 p.m. to-day was 4.93-13/16

compared with 4.94-1/4 at closing on the 24th December.

—*Reuter.*

DEALINGS IN SILVER

Metal Exchange Scheme

London, Dec. 27.

Reuter understands that considerable headway has been made by the sub-committee of the Metal Exchange discussing trading facilities in silver on the London market. An important house is said to have been chosen with an internationally acceptable name in whose vaults silver will be deposited against which certificates or warrants will be issued forming the basis of dealings, this method being similar to other metals. Dealings are expected to take place on the Metal Exchange in the mornings and afternoons, possibly thrice daily, depending on volume of business.

Bullion interests are not much perturbed at the prospect of competition as it is anticipated that interest will be confined mainly to a circle of small speculators. It is pointed out that one advantage of the new market will be the availability of price in the mornings.—*Reuter.*

CHEAP MONEY DRIVE

France To Avoid Borrowing

Paris, Dec. 27.

It is rumoured that the French Government has decided to avoid all long term public borrowing in 1935 and make a cheap money drive with the help of the Bank of France which would be asked to take over Treasury bonds against notes similar to the Bank of England. It is believed the present position is that the Bank of France is sufficiently strong to warrant such a policy.

The Bank of France is understood not to be in favour of the scheme, but the Government and the Finance Minister, M. Germain Martin, enjoy the confidence of the public to a high degree. It is therefore believed that public opinion may finally prevail on the Bank to admit the cogency of such a policy.

Treasury liabilities in 1935 amount to between twelve and fifteen milliard francs.—*Reuter.*

INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO

British Experts To Be Interviewed

London, Dec. 27.

The Japanese naval delegation has received further instructions from Tokyo. It is believed they are for enquiries to be made on various aspects of the British compromise proposal along the line that each Power state the naval building programme for a period of years which should be embodied in the Treaty.

Rear-Admiral Yamamoto is likely to interview British experts in this connection.—*Reuter.*

SECURITY IN CENTRAL EUROPE

Plan Evolved By France And Italy

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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London, Dec. 27. Interesting details regarding the Franco-Italian plan for Central European security with the aim of guaranteeing Austria's independence was revealed by the "Daily Telegraph's" diplomatic correspondent, whose information presumably is drawn from British official circles.

The correspondent states that the plan in question has been discussed in all its aspects during the recent conversations between Sir John Simon and M. Laval.

The Franco-Italian plan, it is said by the correspondent to be based on the fundamental requirement of Austria's independence, which is considered an axis upon which the entire European situation revolves, and it is believed that the solution of this problem would facilitate the solution of other problems.

The pact scheme by France and Italy is said by the correspondent to include six European

powers, namely, France, Italy, Germany, Yugoslavia, Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

The exact date of Laval's visit to Rome has not yet been fixed and the conflict between Italy and Abyssinia is susceptible of delaying the settlement of the African frontier questions between France and Italy.

The "Daily Telegraph's" correspondent adds that the projected pact is impossible without the co-operation of Germany, whose attitude will be influenced in the first instance by shaping her relations with France after the Saar plebiscite.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

M. LAVAL BACK

Paris, Dec. 27. The Foreign Minister, Laval returned here from his short holiday earlier than expected. He at once proceeded to the Quai D'Orsay to attend to routine business and to occupy himself with the Franco-Italian discussion which will come up shortly and over which he will make a trip to Rome.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

MARRIAGE FOLLOWS ELOPEMENT

Anne Gould And Her Actor Lover

New York, Dec. 27. Anne Gould, twenty-one-year-old grand daughter of Jay Gould eloped with the twenty-four-year-old Texas actor, Frank Spencer Meador. The pair were married by Governor Harrison of New York State.

The bride's parents are described as being much pleased with the marriage.—*Reuter.*

WORLD'S RECORD FOR LAND PLANES

French Air Ministry Awards Prize

Paris, Dec. 26. The speed at which Raymond Delmotte travelled to set a new world's record for land planes is officially announced at 505.843 kilometres per hour. The airman wins a prize of 300,000 francs offered by the Air Ministry for a world record in a French machine, according to "Le Petit Parisien".—*Reuter.*

OVALTINE

CHRISTMAS COMPETITION



Here is a fascinating competition. Can you successfully complete the words below by supplying the missing letters? There's \$75 in Cash Prizes for those who can. Take the first word, for instance, "Melody", the helpful letter is U. The complete word is "Melody". Then carry on and complete the list. Each dash represents a letter.

Word	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize
1. Melody	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
2. The body of a ship			
3. An eating sore			
4. To crack			
5. A bouquet			
6. To make a sudden sharp noise			
7. Worth			
8. Rustle, confusion			
9. A burst of anger			
10. A set or covering for the head			
11. An awkward fellow			
12. A low sound made by certain birds			
13. To wrinkle			
14. To threaten			
15. At no great distance			
16. To make fat			
17. To strike lightly			
18. A narrow street			
19. To make useless			
20. Round like a ball			

5 Consolation Prizes at \$5.00 each. A SEaled SOLUTION HAS BEEN DEPOSITED WITH THE EDITOR, SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST.

MISSING LETTERS COMPETITION

Clue	Initial Letter	Solution
1. Melody	U	TUNE
2. The body of a ship	K	HULL
3. An eating sore	CH	ULCER
4. To crack	H	CRACK
5. A bouquet	Y	BUQUET
6. To make a sudden sharp noise	C	CRACK
7. Worth	E	WORTH
8. Rustle, confusion	OH	RUSSLE
9. A burst of anger	U	URGER
10. A set or covering for the head	U	URGER
11. An awkward fellow	O	ODD
12. A low sound made by certain birds	H	HOOD
13. To wrinkle	BE	WRINKLE
14. To threaten	MO	THREATEN
15. At no great distance	NE	NEAR
16. To make fat	TE	THICKEN
17. To strike lightly	P	PAT
18. A narrow street	A	ALLEY
19. To make useless	PT	RUPTURE
20. Round like a ball	BL	BALL

RULES

The first prize of \$25.00 will be awarded to the competitor who sends in an all correct solution, or who has the most words correct. The second prize to the competitor with the next nearest correct solution and in this manner until all the prizes have been awarded.

In the event of more than one competitor having the correct solution, the judges may award the first three prizes to the competitors who have the most correct words. The second prize to those next in order of merit. The third prize to the competitor who has the most correct words. The judges may add all the prize money together and divide it evenly among those with correct solutions.

The judges, "Ovaltine" Missing Letters Competition, c/o The Advertising & Publicity Bureau, Ltd., HONG KONG.

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Name: _____ Address: _____

AMAZING END TO BIG FIGHT

Towel Thrown In In Seventh Round

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 5.
A world title loomed on the horizon of British boxing, when Jock McAvoy the British middle-weight champion, hammered Kid Tunero, of Cuba, into submission in the seventh round at Belle Vue, Manchester.

Seven thousand people were raised to a pitch of excitement by one of the most sensational fights of recent years, and the climax was as dramatic as anything seen in an English ring.

Many thought Tunero had been knocked out—that he was down for the full count from a terrific uppercut which McAvoy landed on the Cuban's chin halfway through the seventh round.

Such was the hullabaloo that the referee Mr. Percy Moss, apparently had difficulty in hearing the time-keeper's counting. He turned to listen to the time-keeper.

Tunero rose and continued to fight. McAvoy forced him to the ropes and punished him heavily until he was sagging half-way through the ropes in a helpless condition and his seconds threw a towel into the ring.

Mr. Moss's explanation of what happened in these few seconds of pandemonium is as follows:—

"Tunero was down for nine seconds the first time. I turned to check up my counting with the timekeeper. When I turned round Tunero was on his feet."

A World-Beater
The second time Tunero had been down for about eight when his seconds threw in his towel."

The contest was virtually a world championship eliminator, as McAvoy has the promise of a match with Marcel Thil, the French holder of the world's title as a result of this victory.

Certainly McAvoy never looked more like a world-beater. He fought coolly and cleverly and scarcely wasted a punch.

Tunero suffered an amazing hammering. It seemed scarcely possible to believe that this was the man who had beaten Thil in a non-title fight, and it certainly makes McAvoy's chances of wrestling the crown from the Frenchman appear exceedingly bright.

The Lancashire man was in no mood to mince matters. From the first gong he set himself to win by the power and plenitude of his punches, and he soon had the reputedly tricky and clever coloured man floundering. Tunero, in fact, was no match for our champion.

McAvoy took the fight to his opponent and never relaxed his aggressive two-handed attack.

Tunero was obliged frequently to run into clinches and had to be warned for holding, though it is believable that he scarcely knew what he was doing.

Tunero Slows Down
McAvoy measuring his opponent, slashed in a right that staggered the coloured man, who covered up before a hail of body punches.

Back went Tunero's head from a terrific right in round three. As the Cuban rocked on his heels McAvoy leapt at him to dash a great punch into his opponent's face.

McAvoy landed a wicked punch under the heart at the beginning of the next session and Tunero hung on.

Tearing away, the Rochdale man went in again, and the speed of his punching bewildered the Cuban. Even in the clinches Tunero could do little.

McAvoy's left stopped Tunero, who clinched, when the Rochdale man ran in with a left swing. Tunero landed a left to the face, but he took a cracking right on the ear in return.

Tunero was again warned for holding in round seven. Shortly afterwards McAvoy peppered the Cuban's face.

Then came the dramatic finish.

McCLEAVE TOO QUICK

Dave McCleave, the ex-amateur Empire Games champion, outpointed Ernie Roderick (Liverpool) in an eight-round bout at the Crystal Palace. McCleave had Roderick puzzled by the speed of his double-handed delivery in the second and third rounds, and defended cleverly.

Frank Hough, of Battersea, the former Army cruiser-weight champion, knocked out Tommy Woods, of Portsmouth, with a terrific left hook after eighty seconds.

Other results—Ten rounds, Alf Bell (Scotland) outpointed P.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

Boxing Day's Games

There were several upsets in the 1st Division on Boxing Day, the principal being Chelsea's 3-0 victory at Aston Villa, and Middlesbrough's draw at Liverpool. The Arsenal went down at Preston North End, and Sunderland made amends for Christmas Day defeat by notching up 7-0 against Everton, and Leicester reversed the previous day's result by turning the tables at Huddersfield.

Notts C. made Manchester United go away pointless in the Second Division, and Brentford had to be content with sharing points with Plymouth.

In the Third Division (South) Reading managed to put paid to Millwall's account in the return match after the previous day's draw. Brighton took full marks away from Luton, and Swindon held Charlton to a draw. In the Northern Section, Tranmere had its revenge against Barrow, as did Doncaster against Hartlepool, but Wrexham went down a second time to Mansfield.

The full results, as cabled by Reuters, are as follows:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Aston Villa 0, Chelsea 3.
Birmingham 0, Sheffield W. 4.
Derby C. 2, Wolves 0.
Huddersfield 2, Leicester 3.
Liverpool 2, Middlesbrough 2.
Manchester C. 3, Leeds 0.
Portsmouth 3, Blackburn 1.
Preston N.E. 2, Arsenal 1.
Stoke 3, West Brom. 0.
Sunderland 7, Everton 0.
Tottenham 2, Grimsby 1.

SECOND DIVISION

Bradford C. 3, Port Vale 0.
Fulham 2, Bradford 2.
Hull C. 1, Newcastle 1.
Norwich C. 3, Notts Forest 3.
Notts C. 1, Manchester U. 0.
Oldham 2, Blackpool 3.
Plymouth A. 1, Brentford 1.
Sheffield U. 2, Barnsley 1.
Southampton 1, Swansea 0.
West Ham 3, Bury 0.

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Brighton 1, Aldershot 0.
Bristol R. 1, Exeter 0.
Clapton 3, Q.P.R. 1.
Crystal P. 2, Torquay U. 2.
Exeter C. 4, Bournemouth 1.
Gillingham 2, Coventry C. 5.
Northampton 2, Bristol C. 2.
Reading 4, Millwall 1.
Southend U. 2, Cardiff C. 1.
Swindon 2, Charlton 2.
Watford 7, Newport 0.

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington 5, York 2.
Darlington 2, Rochdale 2.
Doncaster 3, Hartlepool 1.
Lincoln 4, Carlisle 2.
N. Brighton 3, Gateshead 0.
Rotherham 4, Walsall 2.
Southport 2, Crewe 1.
Stockport 0, Chester 1.
Tranmere 2, Barrow 1.
Wrexham 1, Mansfield 3.

THE R.H.K. GOLF CLUB

Christmas Meeting At Fanling

The following are the results in the various competitions held at Fanling over the Christmas holidays:—

BOGEY (PAR) POOL

(Old Course)
P. S. Cassidy (18) 3 up wins.
S. H. Dodwell (9), R. K. Collings (8), and R. I. Cherrill (17), 2 up, divide 2nd and 3rd prizes. (118 entries).

MEDAL ROUND

(Old Course)
J. L. Adams 93-24=69 wins.
P. Morrison 82-12=70 2nd. (56 entries).

BOGEY (PAR) POOL

(New Course)
L. R. Cramer (24) 4 up wins. (20 entries).

MIXED BOGEY (PAR)

(New Course)
J. W. Mayhew and Mrs. W. N. A. Smalley all square win. (15 entries).

Paveit (Italy): Eight rounds: S. Wakeling (Chatham) outpointed Jack Grant (Mayfair); Jack Stanley (Greenwich) knocked out Sid Flux (Portsmouth) in the second round.
Micky Callaghan knocked out Lionel Roberts in the first round.

TRIANGULAR CRICKET

Navy v Army

The second match in the annual triangular cricket tournament was played yesterday, when the Royal Navy and Army met at the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground. The match is a two-day fixture and will be concluded to-day.

The Navy had first lease of the wickets and compiled 235 runs. Lt. Bramwell, who has been knocking up good scores in recent friendlies and league games in which he participated for the Navy this season, again gave a brilliant exhibition.

He played a splendid innings for 147 runs, giving only one chance, when his score was 142.

In his 147, he hit 22 boundaries. The remaining Naval batsmen failed miserably, only three other batsmen reached double figures, Pay Comdr. Hargreaves had 20, Leading Seaman Peatfield 20, and Lieut. Parkes-Smith 32. Ballard was the most successful bowler, taking 4 wickets for 41 runs.

When stumps were drawn, the Army had scored 166 runs for the loss of 5 wickets. Of the batsmen who lost their wickets, Lt. C. C. Garthwaite was the top scorer with 41 runs and Cpl. Colledge 37. Lt. J. R. Johnson and Capt. L. J. Welch with 25 and 18 not out, respectively will continue their innings to-day. The scores were:—

ROYAL NAVY

Lt. Bramwell, c Williams, b Ballard 147
Pay. Comdr. Hargreaves, run out 20
Ldg. Seaman Peatfield, c Rice-Evans, b Ballard 20
Lt. Parkes-Smith, c Colledge, b Rice-Evans 32
Lt. Comdr. Browning, c Colledge, b Rice-Evans 4
Capt. Cutler, c Colledge, b Rice-Evans 2
Capt. Manners, c Rice-Evans, b Ballard 1
E. A. Clayton, c and b Ballard 0
Lt. Mix, not out 3
Stoker Crutcher, c Ballard, b Mitchell 0
Sub. Lt. Briggs, c Johnson, b Garthwaite 1
Extras 5
Total 235

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Garthwaite	18.3	1	86	1
Mitchell	5	3	3	1
Rice-Evans	11	—	54	3
Ballard	14	2	41	4
Elvin	3	—	24	—
Williams	1	—	10	—
Bonavia	2	—	12	—

ARMY

Major Bonavia, lbw. Crutcher 14
Lt. J. P. Williams, b Briggs 15
Cpl. W. Colledge, c Crutcher, b Cutler 37
Lt. C. C. Garthwaite, lbw. Hargreaves 41
Lt. J. R. Johnson, not out 25
Lt. H. B. de Pritchard, b Briggs 0
Capt. L. J. Welch, not out 18
Extras 16
Total for 5 wkts. 166

Cpl. Ballard, Capt. D. B. Mitchell, Lt. J. A. N. Rice-Evans and C.S.M. J. Elvin, to bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Briggs	17	2	48	2
Hargreaves	8	—	27	1
Crutcher	16	2	48	1
Browning	5	—	18	—
Cutler	3	—	9	1

HOME RUGGER

Results of Boxing Day Matches

London, Dec. 26.

The following are the results of rugby football matches played to-day:—

Bath	6	Old Blues	0
Blackheath	13	Barbarians	16
Bristol	16	Fontrypool	5
Cardiff	23	London Irish	5
Gloucester	26	Old Merchant	5
Headingley	25	Manchesters	0
Leicester	8	Birkenhead	12
Llanelli	25	London Welsh	0
Northampton	24	Pennarth	11
Richmond	19	Wasps	8
Plymouth	13	Newton	5
Albion	13	Abbott	3
Swansea	13	Athletic	5
Universities	18	Union	8
Waterloo	11	Coventry	11
Wetherby	—	—	—

YACHTING

Result Of The Potts Challenge Cup

Sea Lark V, sailed by Mr. E. Cock and Lt. Col. Carrington Sykes was the first yacht to cross the finishing line at 6.10.11 a.m. yesterday in the race to Macao for the Potts Challenge Cup.

The race was started at 7.30 a.m. on Boxing Day and competitors were allowed till 8 a.m. this morning to complete the course of some 70 miles.

The Maire, with Comdr. D. Orr-Ewing, R.N. and another at the helm, was second, over two and a half hours behind Sea Lark V, and Comdr. Cowland, Dr. Davis and Lieut. O'Brien, R.N. brought Mistral in to fill the third position, more than four hours after the first yacht had arrived.

The following is the list of yachts that have crossed the line up to 6.00 o'clock last night:—

Yacht	Finished	Corrected
1—Sea Lark V	06.10.11	03.39.27
2—Maire	08.54.55	06.14.48
3—Mistral	10.39.04	07.42.35
4—Luana	13.20.39	10.21.35
5—Azuma	11.30.27	10.34.28
6—Typhoon	13.57.21	10.39.23
7—Tern	13.58.39	10.40.33
8—Cutty	14.50.58	11.27.10
9—U & I	12.44.57	11.31.51
10—Norena	09.25.45	12.01.20

"Azuma" sailed by Mr. H. J. Pearce and Mr. R. J. Vernal.

"U and I" sailed by Mr. H. S. Rouse, Major Dixon and Lieut. Comdr. Todd R.N.

"Luana" sailed by Mr. A. L. Shields and Commodore F. Elliott, R.N.

"Typhoon" sailed by Squad Leader Keary and Comdr. Legg, R.N.

"Tern" sailed by Captain and Mrs. Fooley and Captain Duchene.

"Sea Lark V" sailed by Mr. Cock and Lieut. Col. Carrington-Sykes.

"Mistral" sailed by Comdr. Cowland, Dr. Davis and Lieut. O'Brien, R.N.

"Cutty" sailed by Mr. Cooke and Mr. G. Dalziel.

"Maire" sailed by Comdr. Orr-Ewing, R.N. and another.

"Norena" sailed by Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Bruusgaard.

Monsoon (Mr. R. Grievie and another), Penguin (Captain L. W. Henderson and another), Cherub (Mr. Goulborn, Lt. P. de N. Ramus and another), and Tavy II (H.M.S. Tamar's Ward Room Officers) had not crossed the line at 6 o'clock yesterday evening.

La Cigale (Mr. N. V. A. Croucher and another) did not finish.

MEMORIAL TO EARL HAIG

Unveiled by Duke Of York

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12.

A chancel memorial window to Field-Marshal Earl Haig has been unveiled in St. Andrew's Garrison Church, Aldershot, by the Duke of York. The window has been designed and executed by Mr. Walter J. Cook, of Edinburgh.

Countess Haig and her son, the present holder of the title, were present at the service.

The Duke of York, who is Honorary Colonel of 4th (Territorial) Battalion of the Cameron Highlanders, wore the uniform of that regiment, which was represented at the service by a detachment from the 2nd Battalion. After he had unveiled the window, for which officers and men of Scottish regiments had subscribed largely, it was dedicated by the Rev. Dr. Archibald Fleming, of St. Columba's Church, London.

Dr. Fleming, who served under Earl Haig as a chaplain during the war, said that the name and fame of Earl Haig remained unsullied. Those who would do him "despite" had no apologists, and Haig himself needed none.

One was not long in discovering that jealousy was a fault of which Haig was incapable. "When he spoke to me at the end of the war on the vexed question of the united command he gave me reasons why he thought that Marshal Foch should be supreme. He asked me what did it matter who got the credit, so long as the war was won."

Until the very day of his death, said Dr. Fleming, Lord Haig's constant and all-engrossing thought was for his men.

LADIES' HOCKEY INTERPORT

Shanghai Arriving February 2

Notification was received by Mrs. P. M. Harrop, of the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Association, yesterday to the effect that the Shanghai Ladies Interport team would be leaving the northern port on January 31 and would arrive in the Colony on February 2 to engage Hong Kong in a series of matches.

This will be the first Interport between Shanghai and Hong Kong.

The local Association are holding a meeting during the next two or three days to make the necessary arrangements for practice games.

Caer Clark Hockey

H.K. LADIES TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

The following have been selected to represent the Hong Kong Ladies against the C.B.A. in the Caer Clark competition at Soekunpoo on Saturday, buy-off at 3.15 p.m.: E. Hance; E. M. Gray; J. Smalley; N. McKenna; B. Pope; B. Kelbling; W. Marsh; P. M. Harrop; J. Churchill; C. Ferguson; A. Jacks.

The H.K. Ladies' second team will be opposed to St. Andrew's at Happy Valley in a friendly game and will be represented by the following: S. Baskitt; M. Wilfe; E. Strahan; E. O'Hagen; N. Bennett; H. Hance; J. Flex; J. Locke; M. Smalley; M. Rattey and V. Blackburn. The game will commence at 3 p.m.

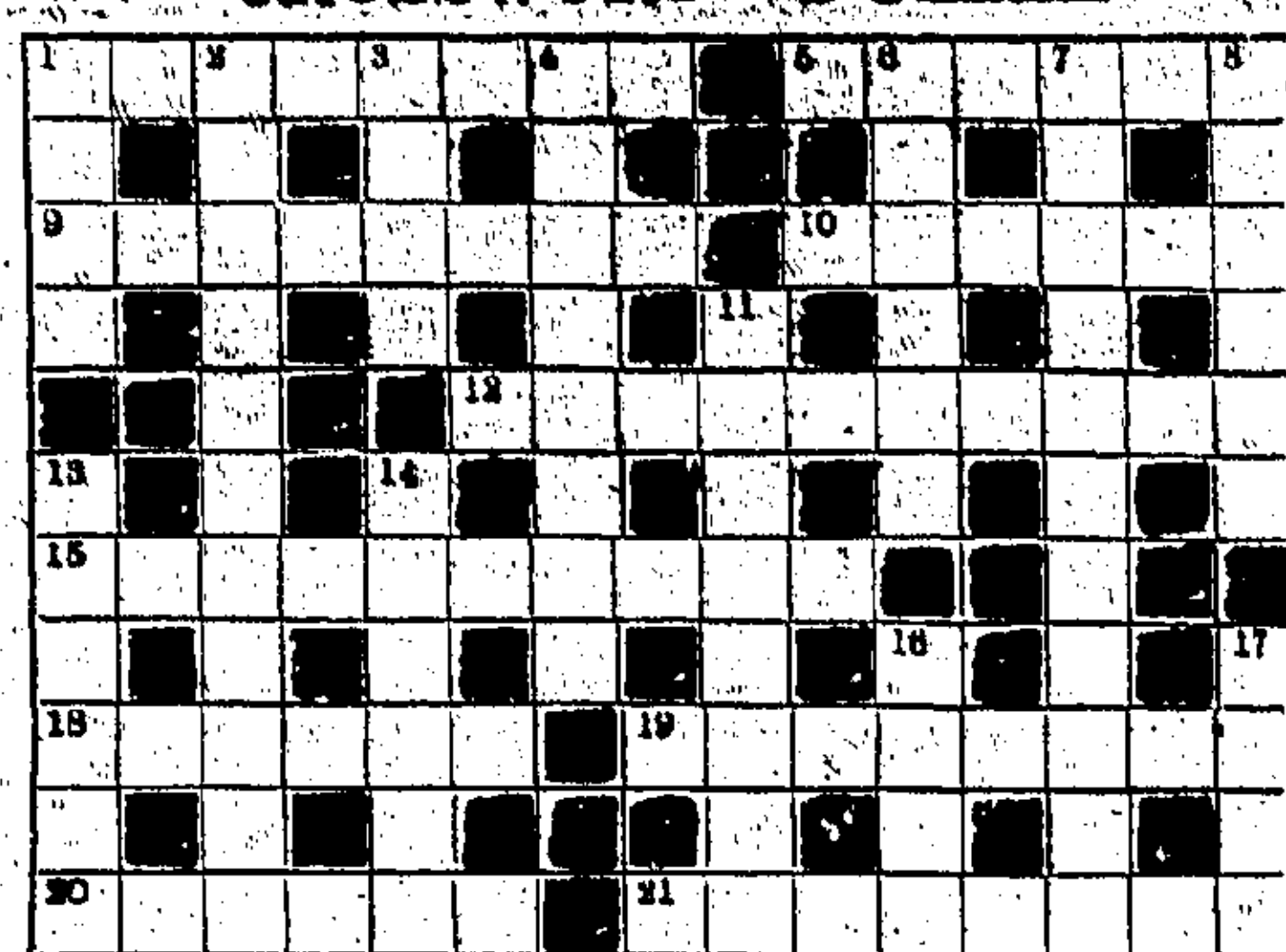
RYDER CUP GOLF MATCHES

New York, Dec. 26.

Mr. Jacobus, President of the United States Professional Golfers' Association, announced to-day that the Ryder Cup matches between England and America in 1935 would take place on September 23 and 29.

Reuter.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Note:—Figures in parentheses indicate number of letters in the words required.

SSOBOW

- Being favourably disposed is ready to learn (8).
- A disorderly crowd, perhaps (6).
- Put this down for rodents and bar a nest being made (8).
- This Egyptian amulet might be shared by a Painter and a Bachelor of Science (6).
- Better (10).
- What a man enjoys when everybody likes him (10).
- Try to get an answer for this (6).
- Some, who don't advance, say they get no this (8).
- Where we may see some litter lying about (8).
- Is useful for wheedling and wrangling (8).

DOWN

- This word you will have to reverse (4).

The following is the solution of yesterday's puzzle:—

Across—1, Posthumous; 6, Mind; 10, Lengths; 13, Expat; 14, Item; 15, Troupe; 17, Pute; 18, Restive; 21, Faro; 22, Orlive; 24, Pier; 26, Prize; 27, Lyddite; 30, Noel; 31, Deep-seated.

WHY HE RESIGNED

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 7.

The resignation of Dr. Furtwaengler, director of the Berlin Opera House, will damage Nazi prestige abroad. It is hardly a surprise. He is not the first director of a German Opera House to resign because he refused to dismiss non-Aryan musicians.

More significant is the threatened resignation of Herr Krupp von Bohlen from his position as leader

of industry. Rearmament has brought a boom to the German steel industry. If Herr Krupp feels uncomfortable, the gulf between Nazis and big business must indeed be wide.

His feelings are probably the same as those of another big business man who resigned an important official position. Asked if he would take office again, he replied: "When one has slipped off a train travelling at 200 miles an hour without hurting oneself, one has no desire to try to jump on again."

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SHIP MEASUREMENT A PROBLEM

Figures Which Puzzle A Landsman

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12. To most landsmen, tonnage measurements are a mystery, and not infrequently even sea-faring people find difficulty in explaining their several varieties. The confusion principally arises from the existence of a ton measured by weight, and a ton measured by volume, the latter being a space containing 100 cubic feet.

Registered tonnage is used by all maritime nations and governs the charges made when a ship has to bear for dock, harbour, light, and pilotage dues; it represents the freight-earning capacity of a vessel, and is of the greatest importance, therefore, to the shipowner. This is the "tonnage" usually given in advertisements and news relating to ships.

Registered tonnage, however, does not give a definite idea as to the exact size of a ship. One vessel may have a certain registered tonnage, and another of identical dimensions may have quite a different registered tonnage figure, despite the fact that the pair may have the same displacement. It furnishes no definite comparison between one vessel and another as to displacement, dimensions, or dead-weight capacity. A ton of cargo usually occupies less than 100 cubic feet, so that a tramp steamer's cargo may exceed her gross tonnage.

Measurement in Use

The ton-measurement of cargo was originally the space occupied by four hogsheads (—a Tun) of wine —50 cubic feet. It is now 40 cubic feet, which is approximately the bulk of 4 quarters, or a short ton, of wheat.

The ton-register, the unit of capacity of a ship, was originally the space occupied by a Last of 10 Quarters of wheat—100 cubic feet. This cubic space is the registered

ton used by all maritime nations, 100 English cubic feet.

Gross tonnage is the sum in cubic feet of all the various enclosed spaces of a vessel, divided by 100.

Net tonnage is the gross tonnage less certain deductions on account of crew spaces, engine room, water ballast, and other spaces not used for passengers or cargo.

Dead-weight tonnage, or carrying capacity, is the number of tons (2,240 lb.) of cargo and bunkers that a vessel is capable of carrying when charged to the load-water-line.

Displacement tonnage is the number of tons of sea water displaced by a vessel when charged to the load water line.

Load-water-line is the line that would be made round the shell of a vessel when loaded as deep as the minimum freeboard regulations permit.

Free Board is the distance from the main or upper deck to the load-water-line of a vessel. As a general rule the minimum free board provides an amount of reserve buoyancy that will keep a vessel afloat with two compartments holed.

SOOCHOW CREEK CONSERVANCY

It is reported that the Chinese Chamber of Commerce has agreed to raise a fund to defray a portion of the expenses of the work of dredging the Soochow Creek. The Chamber has issued a circular pointing out to various local trade associations the importance of communications in the Creek to local business and requesting them to assist in the drive to raise this fund.

ELIZABETHAN SPIRIT

Example Of Young Men

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 7. "The Elizabethan spirit of adventure is not only not dead but it is rampant," said Mr. Baldwin, Chancellor of Cambridge University, in opening the Scott Polar Research Institute, Cambridge.

At this very moment, he said, there was a national expedition of young men to Graham's Land in the Antarctic. They had started on their expedition by sailing across the Atlantic in the manner of their forefathers. Oxford had organized an Arctic expedition led by a son of Sir Ernest Shackleton. The Greenland Ice Gap had been crossed by two young men alone, and there had been a private expedition from Cambridge to Greenland and Baffin Land, during the summer.

Added to these exploits, during the last few years Cambridge University had produced a youth, almost a boy, in H. G. Watkins who, had he lived, would, in the opinion of men well qualified to judge, have ranked among the greatest explorers.

Success Not Enough

It was difficult to convey in a few words what the lives of Scott and his companions had to teach us. To his mind one lesson that it taught was, "Success is not enough." Success might be a poor thing, success was not necessarily a matter to which they should devote their whole lives. There were many greater things.

Scott was first and last a sailor, and like another famous sailor, Sir Richard Grenville, of the Little Revenge, had achieved lasting fame through the glory of failure. In one of his last letters, Scott had written, "How much better it has been than lounging in too great comfort at home."

This was a tremendous sentence—the sentence of a simple man. Scott and his companions had kept faith. They had conquered self, and they would live in the hearts of their countrymen and in all great-hearted men of other countries until the end of time.

COMMUNISTS IN KWEICHOW

Plan To Despatch Troops

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, Dec. 27.

General Chiang Kai Shek, Chairman of the Military Affairs Commission, sent a telegram here on Christmas Day giving his approval to the suggestion of Generals Li Chung Jen, Pai Hsueh Hsi and Chen Tsai Tung that they should lead troops into Kweichow to suppress the Communists there.

The three South-west Generals made known their views to Chairman Chiang Kai Shek in two telegrams dated Dec. 11 and 19.

The reply from General Chiang Kai Shek was released for publication last night by the publicity department of the First Group Army. Upon receipt of this message from Fenghua, Chekiang Province, where General Chiang is taking a holiday, the First Group Army is reported to have decided to send the two divisions of the Second Army and the Third Independent Division to Kweichow.

Stationed along the Little North River basin and Lohchang these three divisions will move into Kweichow in the middle part of January. Lieut.-General Chang Tat, Second-in-Command of the Second Army, will be the officer commanding this expeditionary force into Kweichow.

Kwangsi will mobilize ten regiments. The total strength of Kwangtung and Kwangsi will be about four divisions. This strength is not sufficient but this unit expects the co-operation of the Hunan provincial troops and the Central Government Forces.

From Chien Ho in South-eastern Kweichow, the Reds have advanced to Tot Kung which is farther West. General Wang Chia Lieh, Chairman of the Kweichow Provincial Government, is directing operations at Chung On.

JAPAN AIR-MAIL SERVICE

Tokyo Planning Line With Shanghai

Tokyo, Dec. 20. Linking of Japan with Europe by air-mail routes looms as a possibility for the not-distant future, in connection with a projected Japan-China line, it was learned here to-day.

The Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry is considering the promotion of air-mail service from here to Shanghai. At the latter port, it is planned, the route would connect with the projected British and French air-mail services from Europe to China, through India and Singapore.

Members of the Chamber pointed out that the combination of air-mail routes should reduce the transit time for mails between Europe and Japan by one-half.

Some of the members, however, advocate connecting the Japan-China line with the European service at Hong Kong, thus providing a better service for Formosa, as well as for Japan.

TROLLEY BUS SCHEME FOR CANTON

Canton, Dec. 27. Looking for better means of communication, the Municipal Government has decided to establish trolley bus lines in the city. According to the schemes drafted by the Bureau of Public Utilities, the lines are four in number.

Thirty-six trolley cars will be prepared, each of which is capable of carrying 30 passengers. The total cost is estimated at \$4,237,900.

Central Press.

SERICULTURE IN GUATEMALA

Canton, Dec. 27. The Provincial Government was in receipt of a telegram yesterday from the Chinese Consul-General in Guatemala stating that the Guatemala Government is very glad to have Chinese sericulture experts to assist in improving sericulture in that country. The relation between China and Guatemala, the telegram goes on, will be much improved if their request is accepted.

It is learned that after receipt of the telegram, the Provincial Government has referred the matter to the Silk Bureau for consideration.

Central Press.

MODERN ARMY METHODS

Study In Europe And America

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, Dec. 27.

It was exclusively learned to-day each of those members of the military mission who will go to Europe early next month will be given \$7,000 as expenses for six months sojourn in Europe and America. The military mission is headed by Lieut.-General Tao Yih Chien (Do Yick Him), deputy Superintendent of the Yen Tang Military Academy.

Another leading member in the mission is Lieut.-General Lam Sze Ching Commandant of the Canton Gendarmes. As General Tao is the only English speaking member in the party, two interpreters will be employed. During the absence of Generals Tao and Lam from Canton, new appointments will be made to fill their respective posts temporarily.

General Lam will make a study of the air defence system in Europe and America. This is a new thing in Canton, and the generals here wish to learn on the spot what steps European cities are taking to protect themselves from aerial invasion.

The military authorities here wish to modernize the army. The First Group Army has several German advisers who served on the Kaiser's General Staff during the Great War. However, it is also necessary to modernize some of the commanding officers by sending them to a trip abroad.

CHINESE POSTAL SERVICE

Purchase of Books Undertaken

Shanghai, Dec. 21.

The Chinese Post Office has now inaugurated a new service by which it undertakes to purchase books on behalf of the public. Regulations governing the new service and proforma catalogue of books to be purchased through the Post Office have been published and can be obtained from the local Post Office.

Those who consider themselves eligible under the regulations and are willing to entrust the Post Office with the service may apply to the Head Post Office for registration. The registration fee will be \$1 per set consisting of one or more volumes. However, as an encouragement at the time of inauguration, books registered before December 31, 1934, will be accorded a reduced rate of \$0.10 per set.

Books thus registered will be entered into a catalogue compiled by the Directorate General of Posts according to the aforesaid proforma. The commission for the purchase of such books is temporarily fixed at 25 per cent for text-books and 30 per cent, for other books of the net price.

However, those publishers willing to give more favourable terms with a view to extending sales, are requested to annotate their applications for registration to that effect in order that the Post Office at various places may be notified accordingly. The date of commencement of the purchasing service will be announced after the compilation of the catalogue has been completed.

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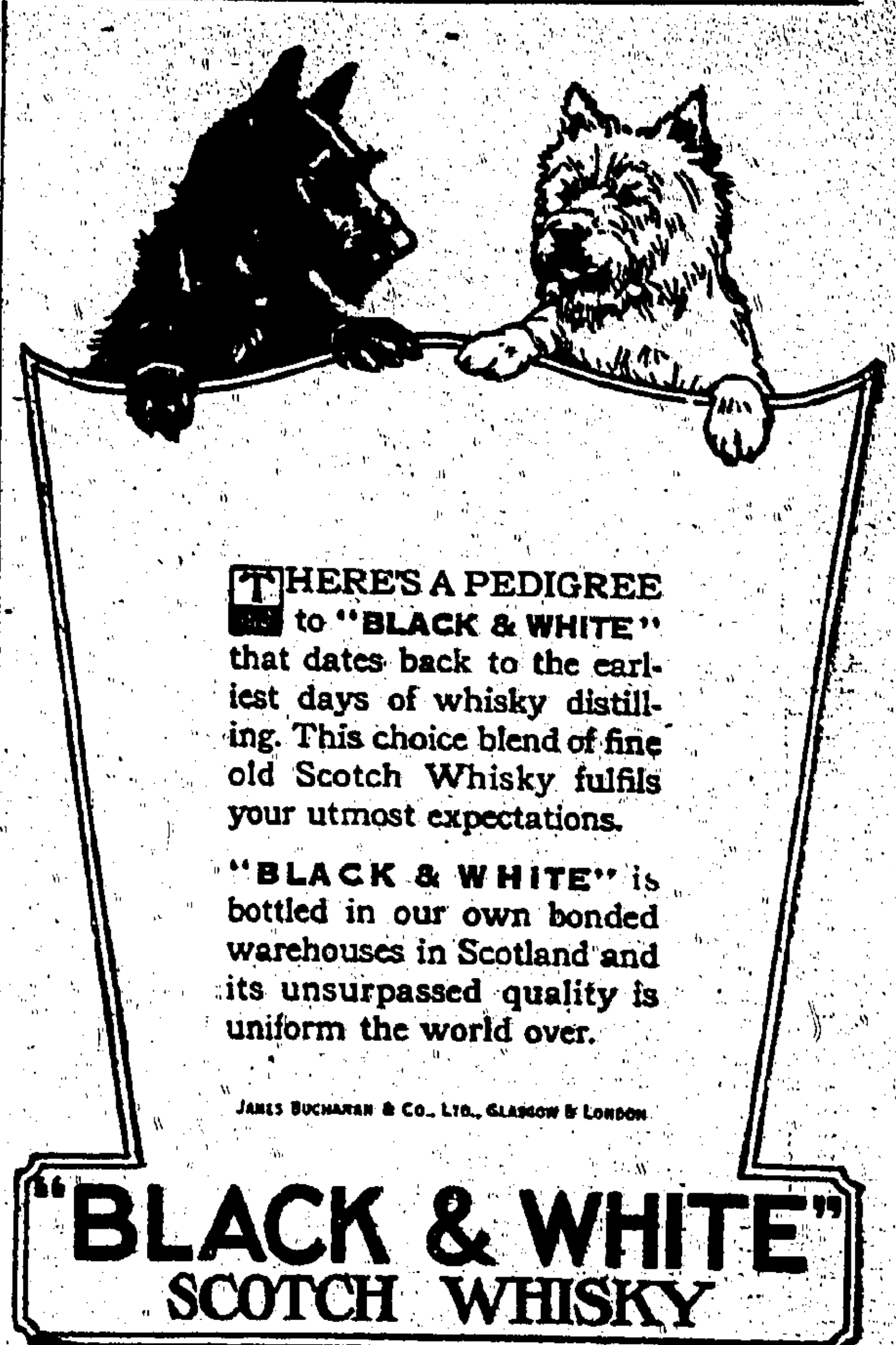
(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Dec. 12.

The Chinese Minister gave a luncheon party yesterday at the Chinese Legation in honour of the members of the visiting official Missions from China on Military and Civil Transportation and on Aviation.

Among those present were: The Marquess of Londonderry, Viscount Hallam, Mr. Hore-Bellish, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Sir Victor Wellesley, General J. D. Dill, Brigadier-General Sir Frederick Williams, Mr. C. W. Orde, Colonel G. E. Grimstead, Mr. D. Bethard, Major Boyle, Mr. E. M. Gull, Mr. S. S. Wilson, Mr. F. R. Hoyer Miller, Captain L. F. Field, Mr. A. G. Highet and Dr. C. O. Wang.

Members of the Missions—The Hon. Yu Pei-peng, Mr. E. F. Wel, General Shi Ting-yao, General Tsing Tsu-yu, and Colonel Mao, Chinese Legation—Dr. W. C. Chen, Mr. Liu Chien, and Commander Tsien.



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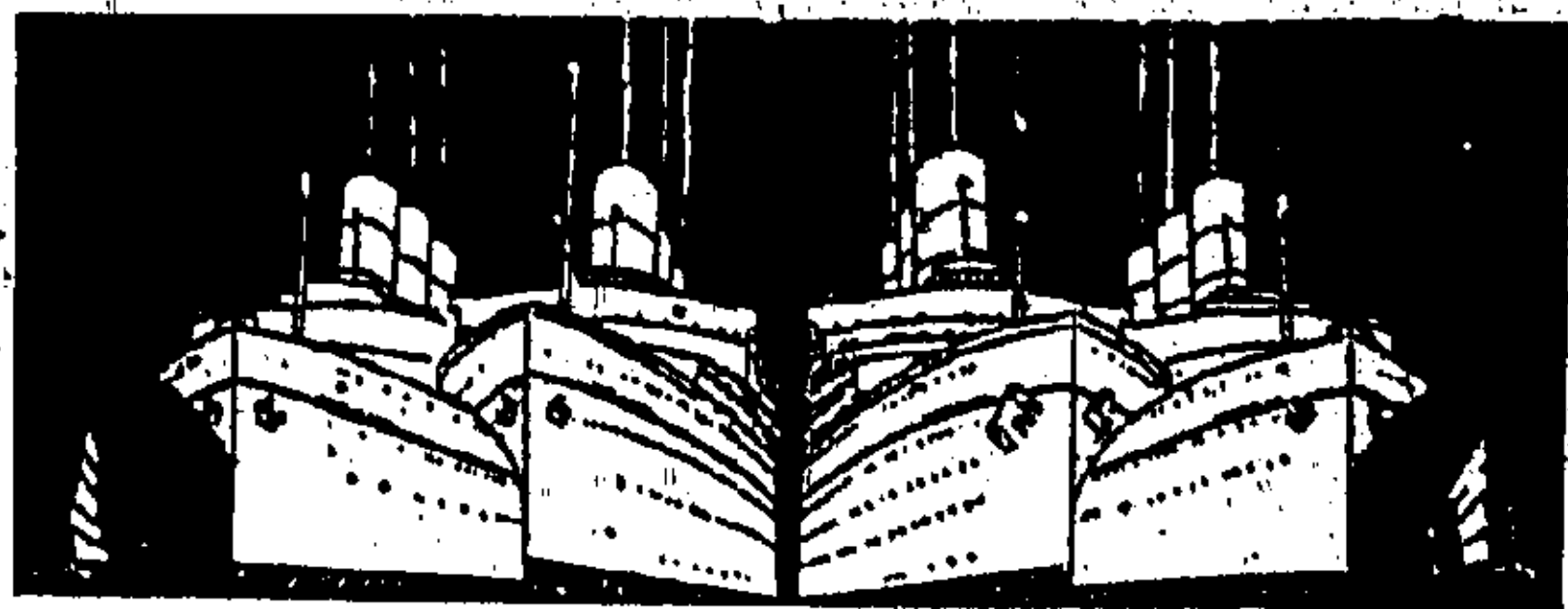
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British

Yuen Sang, Swatow 532, 2,174

Maranda, Sydney 3,154, 1,753

Yat Shing, Canton —, 51

Ying Chow, Canton —, 1,800

Kwangtung, Swatow 278, 1,280

Sunning, Swatow 275, 1,668

Anshun, Amoy 1,500, 50

American Golden Mountain, Mike 550, 2,140

Dutch Tjisadane, Muntok 2,363, 1,794

Portuguese Wing Wo, Fort Bayard 220, —

German Leverkusen, Manila 548, 5,400

Japanese Nanto Maru, Kobe 1,030, 71

Canton Maru, Swatow 1,230, —

Chinese Da Shing, Macao 1,210, 2,400

Total 12,838, 20,400

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:-

Yuen Sang (Br.), Swatow 159

Kwangtung (Br.), Swatow 68

Sunning (British), Swatow 63

Anshun (British), Amoy 18

Tjisadane (Dut.), Muntok 450

Leverkusen (Ger.), Manila 9

Canton Maru (Jap.) Swatow 63

Total 830

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:-

British 7, 7

American 1, 1

Norwegian 1, 1

Dutch 1, 0

Portuguese 1, 0

German 1, 2

Greek 0, 1

Japanese 2, 1

Chinese 1, 1

Total 15, 14

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

WHARVES

Kowloon:-Nankin, Maruto Maru, Fushimi Maru, Bremerhaven, Maranda, Talma.

Douglas Laprak:-Haf-Ning, Seistan.

DOCKES

Kowloon:-Empress of Russia, Hin Sang, Sclaria, Corn Flower.

Taikeo:-H.M.S. Otus, Kau Sing, Tal Shan, Tai Yuan, Asama Maru.

BUOYS

No. A1:-Tjisadane.

No. A2:-Menelaus.

No. A3:-Falstria.

No. A4:-Prominent.

No. A5:-Hong Kheng.

No. A7:-Pleasantville.

No. A8:-Ixion.

No. A9:-Glennearn.

No. A10:-Tancered.

No. A11:-Chamont.

No. A12:-Peter Maersk.

No. A13:-Hslyun Maru.

No. A15:-Malayan Prince.

No. A16:-Cremor.

No. A17:-Yat Shing.

No. B3:-King Yuan.

No. B4:-Haydrot.

No. B5:-Tchekam.

No. B9:-Pronto.

No. B12:-Helikon.

No. B14:-Kwei Yang.

No. B15:-Chinhua.

No. B17:-Helios.

No. B20:-Anshun.

No. B23:-Nankwa Maru.

No. B25:-Sensan Maru.

No. B26:-Barge.

No. B27:-Tonier.

No. C1:-Clara Jensen.

No. C5:-Azuchi Maru.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Harbour Department And New Year Holiday

The Harbour Master has issued a notice to mariners to the effect that Tuesday, 1st January, 1935 having been declared as a general holiday this office will be closed except as under:-

Entry and Clearance Office

Open from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon.

Junk Office

Open from 11 a.m. to 12 Noon.

Mercantile Marine Office

Entirely closed.

SHIPPING MOVEMENT

The B.I. & Apcar s.s. Talma will leave for Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka on or about Saturday, 29th December, 1934, at 6 a.m.

NEW JAPANESE LINERS BEING PLANNED

Officials of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamship line announced, to-day, that they are planning to build three large ships for the European service. Then new vessels will probably replace the Suwa, Fushimi, and Kashima Maru, which are now outmoded and are unable to compete successfully with modern vessels.

The new ships will be approximately the same size and class as the Asama, the Tatsuta, and the Chichibu Maru, Japan's luxury liners in the trans-pacific service.

ARRIVALS

26TH DECEMBER

Irisbank, British steamer, 3,412 tons, Captain I. d. de Lemos, from Cebu, Stonecutters-Bank Line.

Wing Wo, Portuguese steamer, 495 tons, Captain K. C. Wan, Salkong Wharf-Tai Fung & Co.

Havdrot, Norwegian steamer, 713 tons, Captain T. Lovik, from Swatow, buoy No. B7-K. Larsen & Co.

Dell Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,293 tons, Captain N. Hirose, from Canton, Osaka Shosen Kaisha Wharf-Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

27TH DECEMBER

Canton Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,847 tons, Captain H. Misaka, from Swatow, Osaka Shosen Kaisha Wharf-Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

Anshun, British steamer, 1,869 tons, Captain J. A. McCulloch, from Amoy, buoy No. B20-B & S.

Naldera, British steamer, 8,908 tons, Captain R. C. Dene, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf-M. M. & Co.

Talma, British steamer, 6,154 tons, Captain J. Lindon, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf-M. M. & Co.

Wing Lee, British steamer, 651 tons, Captain J. E. Harvey, from Holhow, buoy No. B10-Tai Fung & Co.

Hydrangea, British steamer, 581 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf-Chiu On & Co.

Da-Shing, Chinese steamer, 1,788 tons, Captain F. Semmelman, from Samarinda, Yaumati-Kwong Sang Loong.

CLEARANCES

27TH DECEMBER

Tin Seng, for K. C. Wan, Ann Skathatos, for Osaka, Leverkusen, for Shanghai, Nanto Maru, for Keelung, Cremer, for Singapore, Dell Maru, for Swatow, Hong Kheng, for Singapore, Tjisadane, for Amoy, Wing Lee, for Canton, Chinhua, for Ningpo, Tchekam, for Holhow, Sensan Maru, for Port-Redon, Tai Poo Sek, for K. C. Wan, Hydrangea, for Swatow, Tonier, for Chinwangtao.

YOKOHAMA IN THIRD PLACE

Tokyo, Dec. 21.

Yokohama, once the holder of the Blue Ribbon for exports in Japan, this year ranked third as a shipping outlet, official figures released to-day showed.

Kobe with a total outgoing trade valued at 1,461,000,000 was first, while Osaka with 1,020,000,000 worth of exports was second. Yokohama's exports were estimated at 983,000,000 while Nagoya's totalled 1,188,000,000.

The drop in America-bound silk shipments was blamed for Yokohama's slump.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"CORFU"	15,000	28th Dec., Noon	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"BURDWAN"	8,000	5th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London.
"RANCHI"	17,000	12th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London.
"WALDEA"	15,000	25th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London.
"SOMALI"	7,000	2nd Feb.	Nam. Havre, London.
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	9th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London.
"BAJPUTANA"	17,000	23rd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London.
"BANGALORE"	4,000	2nd Mar.	Mars. Havre, London, Havre, London.
"CHITRAL"	18,500	9th Mar.	Mars. Havre, London, Havre, London.
"CARTRAGE"	14,300	23rd Mar.	Mars. Havre, London, Havre, London.

* Cargo only. † Calls Clearances.

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BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

"SANTHA"	8,000	4th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	18th Jan.	do.

† Calls Rangoon. * Calls Port Swettenham

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"NANKIN"	7,000	8th Dec., 4 p.m.	Manila, Batavia, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne & Hobart
"NELLORE"	7,000	1st Feb.	do.

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The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILING TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"NALDERA"	16,000	28th Dec., Noon	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"TALMA"	10,000	29th Dec., 6 a.m.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"NELLORE"	7,000	3rd Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"SIBDHANA"	9,000	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"BANGALORE"	4,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"KADADA"	8,000	31st Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"BAJPUTANA"	17,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"TALMA"	7,000	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"SIBDHANA"	9,000	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
"CHITRAL"	18,500	8th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama

* Cargo only.

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